LONGTIME CPD DETECTIVE PETE POITRAS TO RETIRE

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN PETE Poitras wakes up on New Year's Eve, he won't quite know what to do with himself. After 30 years in law enforcement, the Carmel Police sergeant who nailed vicious armed robbers, found "rob the bank" on a suspect's to-do list, and caught a nearly naked thief is hanging up his badge.

The 30-year milestone, a persuasive wife with a successful needlepoint business and an ill father led Poitras — who joined CPD in 1980 — to reclaim wanted time for family.

"That's why I decided to call it quits," he said.

But Poitras knows he'll miss the thrill of detective work.

"It gets into your blood, because your job is to run at a problem rather than stand by and watch or run away from it," he said. "After so long, it will be difficult to learn that's not my job anymore."

Crime-fighting found Poitras — he had not planned to be a cop. As a young audiophile managing a Monterey stereo store, he had a not-uncommon negative attitude about police. But that changed when he met a friendly and funny customer who turned out to be a cop and offered Poitras a ride-along.

"I found the world is a lot different when you're in the fish bowl looking out than when you're just watching it pass by," said Poitras, who was smitten enough to become a reserve Seaside Police officer in 1973.

"The requirements were much less stringent then," he said. "I strapped on a gun and put on the blue suit, and the only difference was my badge had three digits and the officers' had two.

"I had absolutely no experience when we went out the

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Former C.V. cowboy leaves rodeo for Iraq

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN CARMEL Valley Village resident Peggy Christensen's 20-year-old son announced his career choice, she bawled.

"He felt he really wanted to get in shape and go serve our country, and I cried my eyes out when he told me that," she said.

Gary Christensen, whose skills as a team roper in rodeos and ranchers' days are on display in photographs hanging on the walls of the Wagon Wheel restaurant on Carmel Valley Road, left on Veteran's Day for a year in Iraq, where he is currently operating heavy equipment in an Army convoy.

A student at local schools until he graduated from Oakdale High School in 2001, Christensen might have gone on the pro rodeo circuit, but he abandoned the costly sport because he wanted to live without help from his parents, his mother said. He attended junior college but studied too little and partied too much.

After moving back to Monterey, the younger Christensen made a sea change. He decided to join the Army and asked his friends to sign up as well. None of them did.

"I think they were all in shock, too," she said, recalling how stunned she felt when she

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PHOTO/COURTESY PEGGY CHRISTENSEN

The last time Peggy Christensen saw her son, Gary, he was outfitted in desert camouflage fatigues and boarding a bus with the rest of his Army platoon in Fort Lewis, Wash. Once known for his skills as a team roper, the 20 year old is now operating heavy equipment in Iraq.

Coastal staff wants strict new rules for pines, wells, views

■ *But CHOMP can cut trees for new wing after offering 16-acre land swap*

By PAUL MILLER

EVEN AS the state Supreme Court considers whether the California Coastal Commission's power should be sharply curtailed, the commission is considering a vast expansion of its authority over development in the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Valley and Big Sur.

In a move clearly aimed at the Pebble Beach Company's plans for a new golf course, rules to be presented to the coastal commission next week in San Francisco would require that all native stands of Monterey pines in the coastal areas of Monterey County be protected.

That would undo a November 2000 ballot measure that allowed the P.B. Co. to use a 50-acre patch of pine forest for part of its Forest Course, while conserving hundreds of other acres in Del Monte Forest.

"We certainly believe in preservation of Monterey pines," said Alan Williams, a real estate developer working for Pebble Beach Co. "Compared to what the previous owners [of the P.B. Co.] proposed, we're developing a very small percentage and everything else is being left as open space."

See ***COASTAL*** *page 10A*

Homes sought for baby trees

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THEY MAY look tiny now, but the thousands of Monterey pines and other trees being given away next weekend will play a major role in perpetuating the Peninsula's indigenous forest, their donors hope. The Friends of Carmel Forest will take over the post office parking lot at Dolores and Fifth from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 13 to distribute free seedlings to anyone who wants to plant them.

"It's just to keep the forested nature of the Peninsula going," said Roy Thomas, a former forest and beach commissioner who suggested the forest friends group undertake the giveaway.

Sprouted from the seeds of disease-free trees, the seedlings spent their three-month infancy in the care of Pebble Beach Company ecology manager Ross Hunter, who has been raising trees for Del Monte Forest and others for a decade.

"They brought us the seeds which were collected by the Carmel city forester, so they are native to Carmel, not to Pebble Beach," Hunter said of the Monterey pines thriving alongside about 7,000 other trees in the company's greenhouse.

The Pebble Beach Co. became involved after Thomas contacted Hunter with the idea of purchasing seedlings. Instead, he offered to grow new pines if the forest group supplied the seeds and containers.

"We were going to grow some oaks, too, but it's been a really bad acorn year — the second worst year in 50 years," Hunter said. He attributed the lack of acorns to trees using their energy to fight off the ubiquitous oak moth rather than producing seeds, though he suspects several other factors might also be to blame.

Thomas said he suggested the forest group take up the free tree giveaways after a similar city program stopped because of the pine pitch canker epidemic.

"When I first moved to the Peninsula back in '72, my mother and I went to a giveaway and she got a seedling about 3 inches tall," Thomas recalled. That Monterey pine now towers about 60 feet.

The group obtained the seeds and the money to buy materials. "And thanks to the fine cooperation of the Pebble Beach forester, they have a nice greenhouse over there and were more than happy to help us out," Thomas said.

See ***FREE TREES*** *page 7A*

Tree lighting ceremony Dec. 5

THE CARMEL-by-the-Sea tree lighting festivities will begin at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 in Devendorf Park, Ocean and Junipero.

Mayor McCloud will light the tree at 5:45 p.m., rain or shine.



At a P. B. Co. greenhouse, baby pines are getting ready for a giveaway next weekend. The company's ecology manager, Ross Hunter, (left) and Gene McFarland babysit.

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Sunset Center time capsule sunk

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A TIME capsule capturing the history and renovation of Sunset Center was buried in a secret location on theater grounds Monday morning during a ceremony attended by 10 city officials who have promised to keep mum.

"It will stay buried until Oct. 1 in the year 2030," cultural commissioner Roger Fremier said of the airtight aluminum capsule, which contains photographs of theater performances and from the building's early days as a school, brochures and tickets from past shows, newspaper articles, plans for the $21.65 million renovation, a piece of the old stage, a commemorative videotape, several CDs and letters. Oct. 1, 2030, is the date when the bond which helped fund the renovation will be paid off.

"They will open the capsule at that time and then put in new goods and rebury it," Fremier said. "It will be a continuous capsule burying."

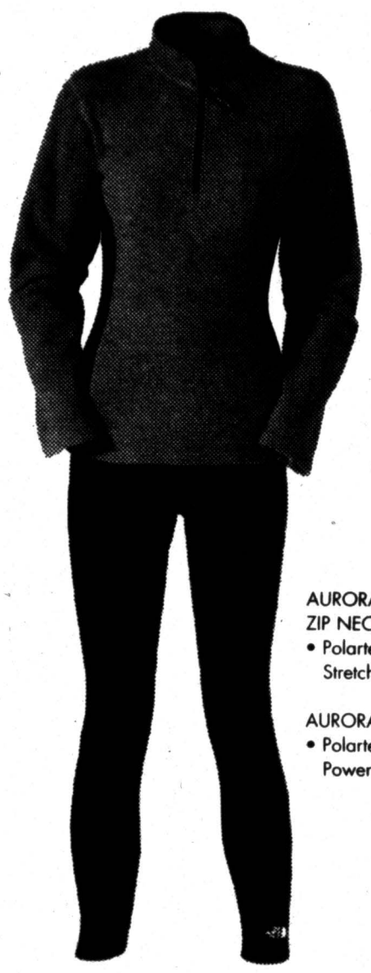
Although kept from the public, the burial location is on record at Sunset Center, city hall and Harrison Memorial Library, lest the time capsule be lost.

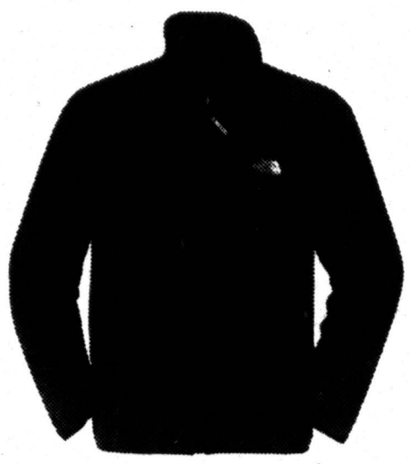
"There's another one at Sunset Center, though no one knows exactly where it is on the property or when we're supposed to open it," Fremier said.

He hopes more time capsules will be buried to commemorate various milestones. The beginning of the new millennium was celebrated in such a fashion when a similar canister was buried Dec. 31, 1999, near First Murphy House. That capsule is set to be opened on New Year's Eve in 2049.

"It was a fun project and something that I'd like to see done throughout the city, because we have other activities that could warrant archiving," he said.

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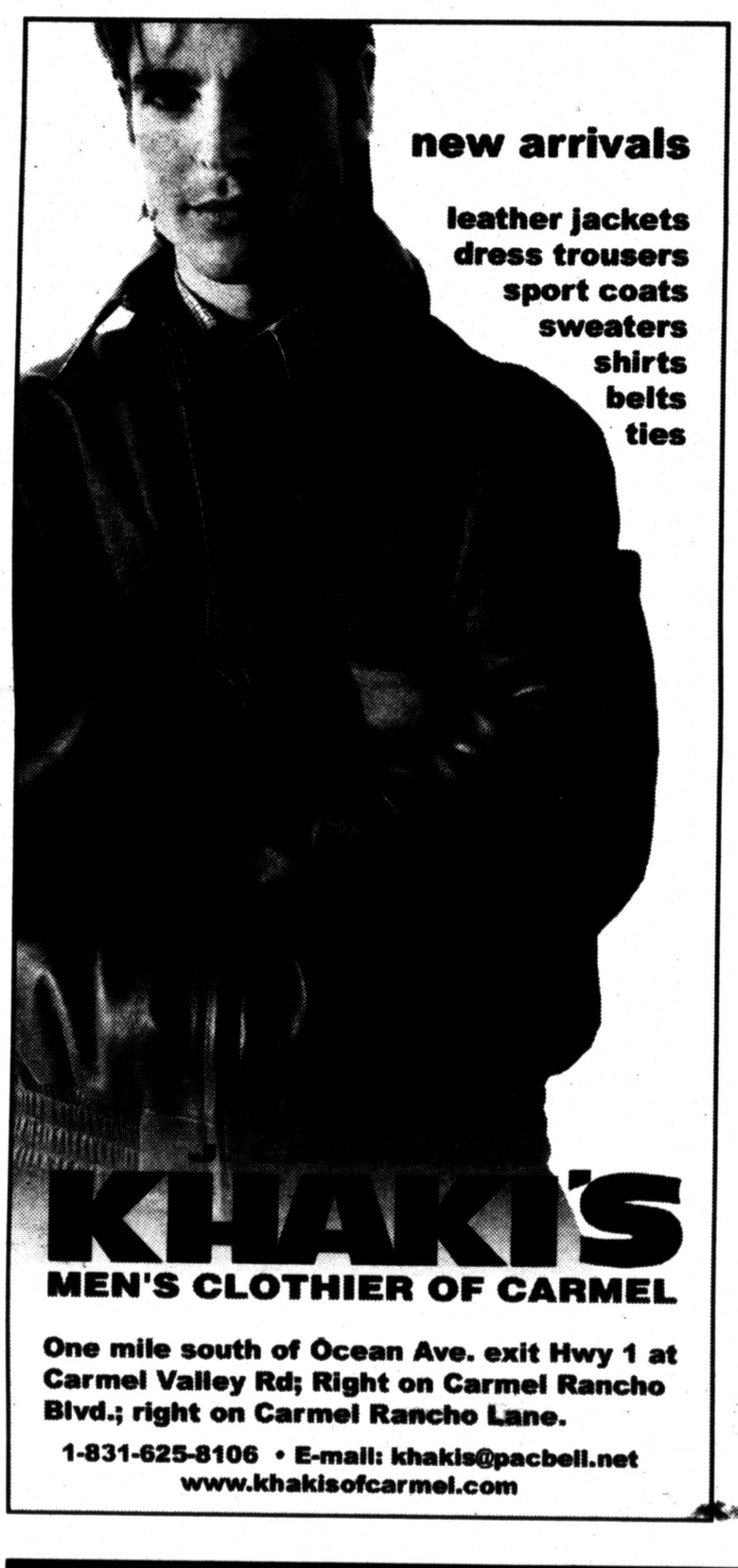
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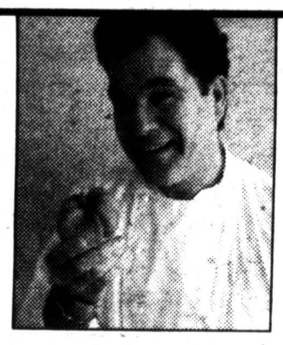
A COYOTE wandering through the east side of Carmel last Wednesday was pursued by three police officers — including a detective — until it finally found its way into Mission Trail Park. Animal control officer Cindi Mitchell asked the dispatcher to notify the SPCA and the department of fish and game to be on the lookout for the four-legged predator just in case it reemerged in another neighborhood.

Businesswoman honored in D.C.

THE OWNER of Central Coast Ambulance service, Margaret Camara, has been named an Honorary State Chairman by the National Republican Congressional Committee's Business Advisory Council. She will attend a year-end board meeting, along with holiday tree lighting festivities, in Washington, D.C., next week.

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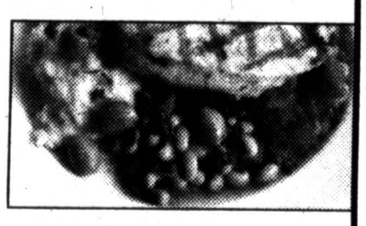


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NEW WATER REGS MAY TARGET PRIVATE YARDS

By MARY BROWNFIELD

LAWNS, ORNAMENTAL trees and wasteful irrigation systems could be the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's next targets. Last week the board asked staff to draft a new ordinance designed to cut outdoor water use.

"The area of most water-savings potential appears to be external uses," water demand manager Stephanie Pintar told directors Nov. 24. She suggested the district work with Cal-Am Water Co. and six Peninsula cities to develop new rules for residences, businesses and public space.

At a minimum the rules should cover, "soil amendments and mulch, irrigation systems, types and quantities of plant materials, use of cisterns and/or greywater treatment and irrigation systems," Pintar recommended.

The restrictions being developed would surpass those required by the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance, which former Governor Pete Wilson required water-starved cities and counties to adopt in 1992. Wilson's water-saving measures applied to public agencies' and developers' projects, but not to private homes or any landscaped area less than 2,500 square feet.

Pintar suggested convening an advisory committee, including several city representatives, to develop conservation rules for properties exempt from the state law.

Director Judi Lehman agreed outdoor water use should be targeted. She said the major portion of water not used for human consumption is wasted.

Director Molly Erickson, who will be replaced by Kristi Markey on the board later this month, condemned homeowners who have lawns and applauded those who xeriscape.

"Lawns use a huge amount of water, and the runoff kills older trees," Erickson said.

Outgoing board member Kris Lindstrom, who will be replaced by Michelle Knight, said existing landscaping practices should be audited for water use before any changes are made.

The landscaping restrictions probably won't be presented to the water board until sometime next year. Knight, Markey and former Cal-Am General Manager Larry Foy will be sworn in for their four-year terms Dec. 15.

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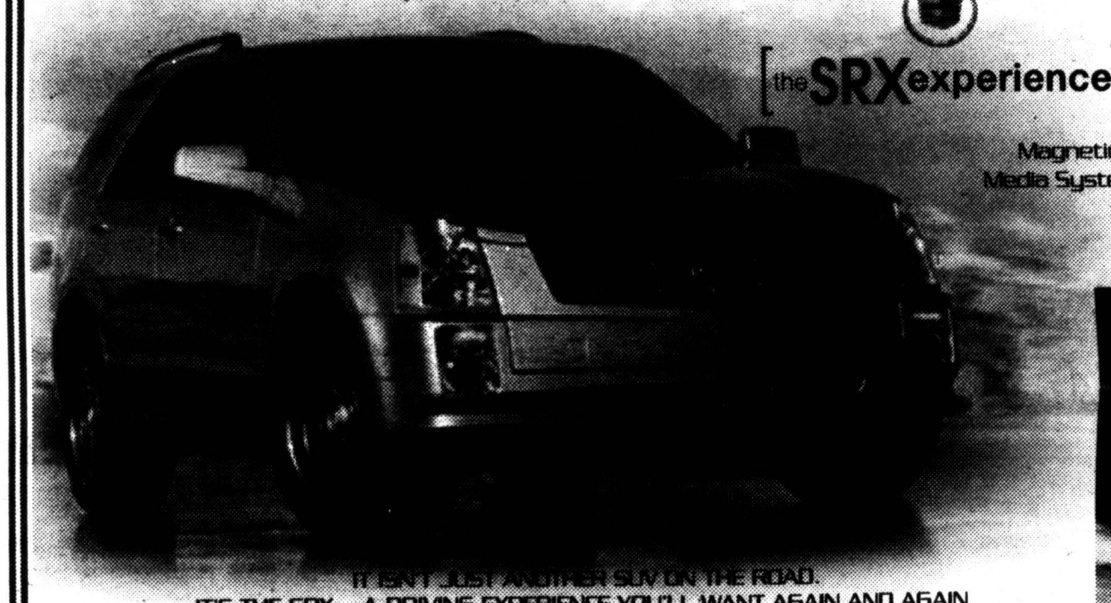
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Cops called to investigate reflection

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported hearing an alarm from a neighboring house for the past two days. It sounded like a smoke detector to him. He called the owner and advised her of the alarm. She said she would get to the house on Sunday. Officer arrived and heard what sounded like a smoke alarm. Entry gained via unlocked vertical window in the rear and the officer dislodged the battery in the smoke alarm. Unable to resecure the window, so the subject was asked to contact the owner to notify her what had occurred.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female called because she was cleaning an office when she accidentally locked herself out with her 1-year-old son still inside crying. Officer arrived and was able to unlock the rear door with his utility knife.

Carmel area: Assisted another agency at a Yankee Point Drive residence. A motorist reported a woman in the street acting crazily. Contacted the female, who had run out of gas and was attempting to flag down help. AAA responded with a can of gasoline.

Big Sur: Suspicious circumstances involving a vehicle on Highway 1 16.8 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line. A green 1999 Honda Accord belonging to a female reported missing from Orinda on 11/19/03 was located. She was reportedly depressed and possibly suicidal. Search of the area made using CHP helicopter, U.S. Forest Service personnel and CHP officers. No signs of the female were found.

Carmel Valley: Suspicious circumstances at an East Carmel Valley Road residence.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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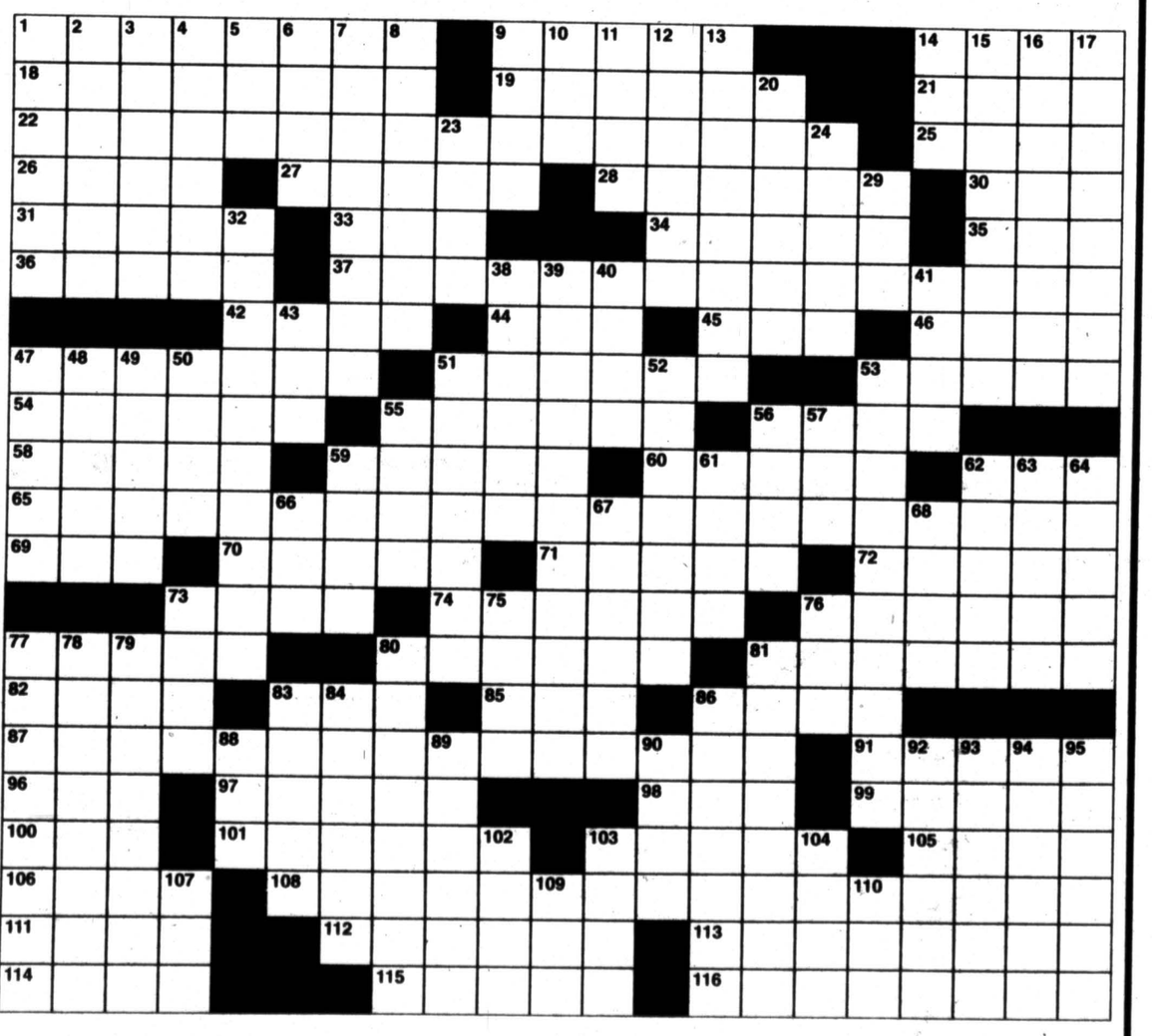
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Answer to puzzle on page 9A



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Padre cross-country took the state by storm in Fresno Nov. 29. Standing: assistant coach Aletha Parker, Richard Mellinger, Oliver Shabram, Dylan Fitzpatrick, Matt Dally and Dave Parker. Kneeling: Nick Shea, Phil Gundry, Patrick Parsel, John Hannon and Matthew Ziering.

CARMEL HIGH X-COUNTRY TAKES STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL HIGH School cross-country runners broke all kinds of barriers Saturday in Fresno. It marked the first time a Padre athletic team has won a state championship, according to assistant coach Aletha Parker. The team was also the first of any cross-country team in the county to win that top prize.

"The kids have worked so hard," she said. When the boys' team made it to the state championships in 1999, they took 13th place, followed by 15th the next year, third in 2001 and fourth in 2002. "And now, first. They have been so focused on that — never cocky — they just knew what they had to do to get the job done."

The boys beat out last year's champion, Oak Park, which came in second, and nine-time state champion McFarland, which finished third.

Carmel's girls, including a few freshman runners, placed 12th, a respectable showing for their first trip to a competition which featured thousands of the best runners from all

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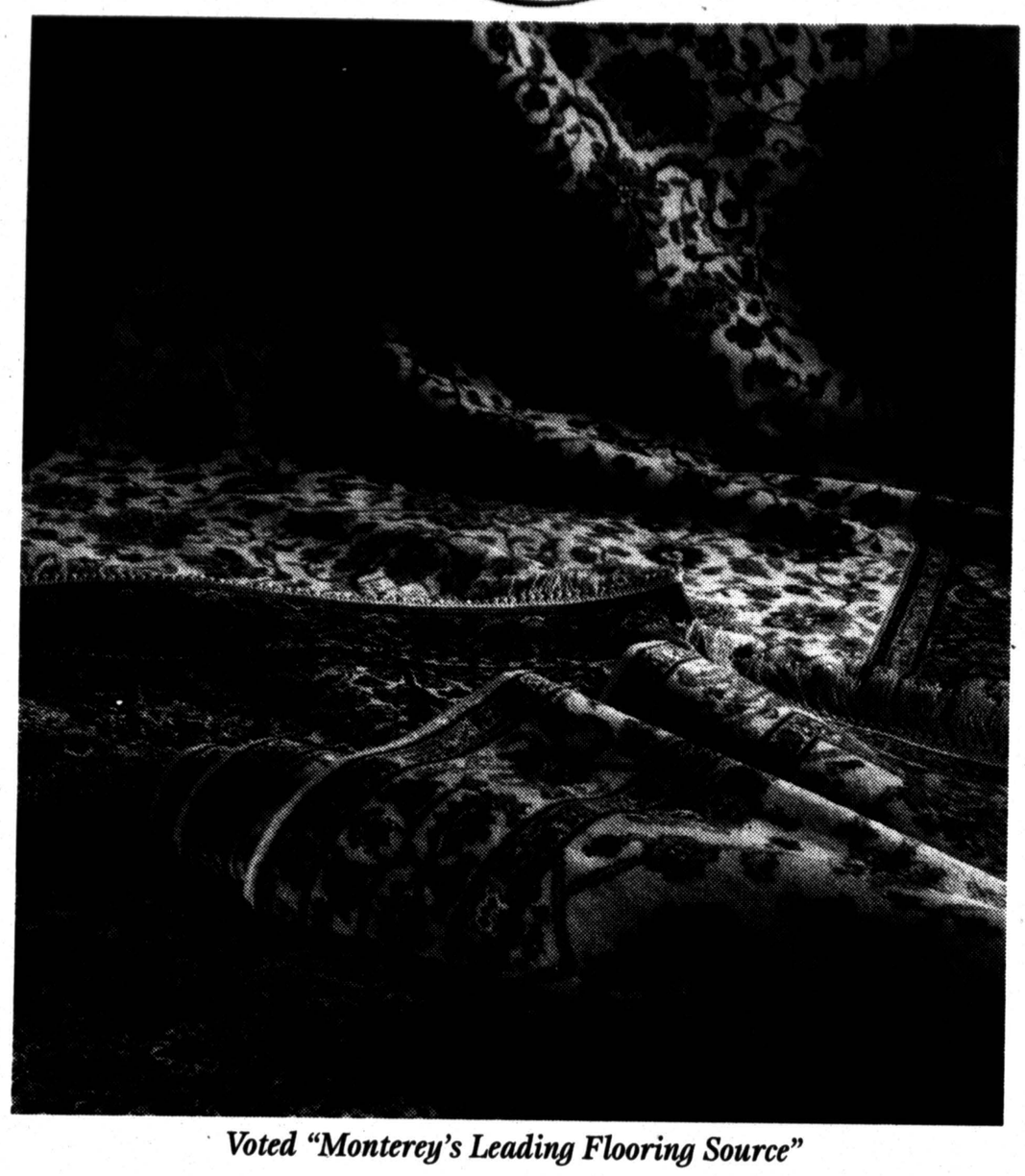
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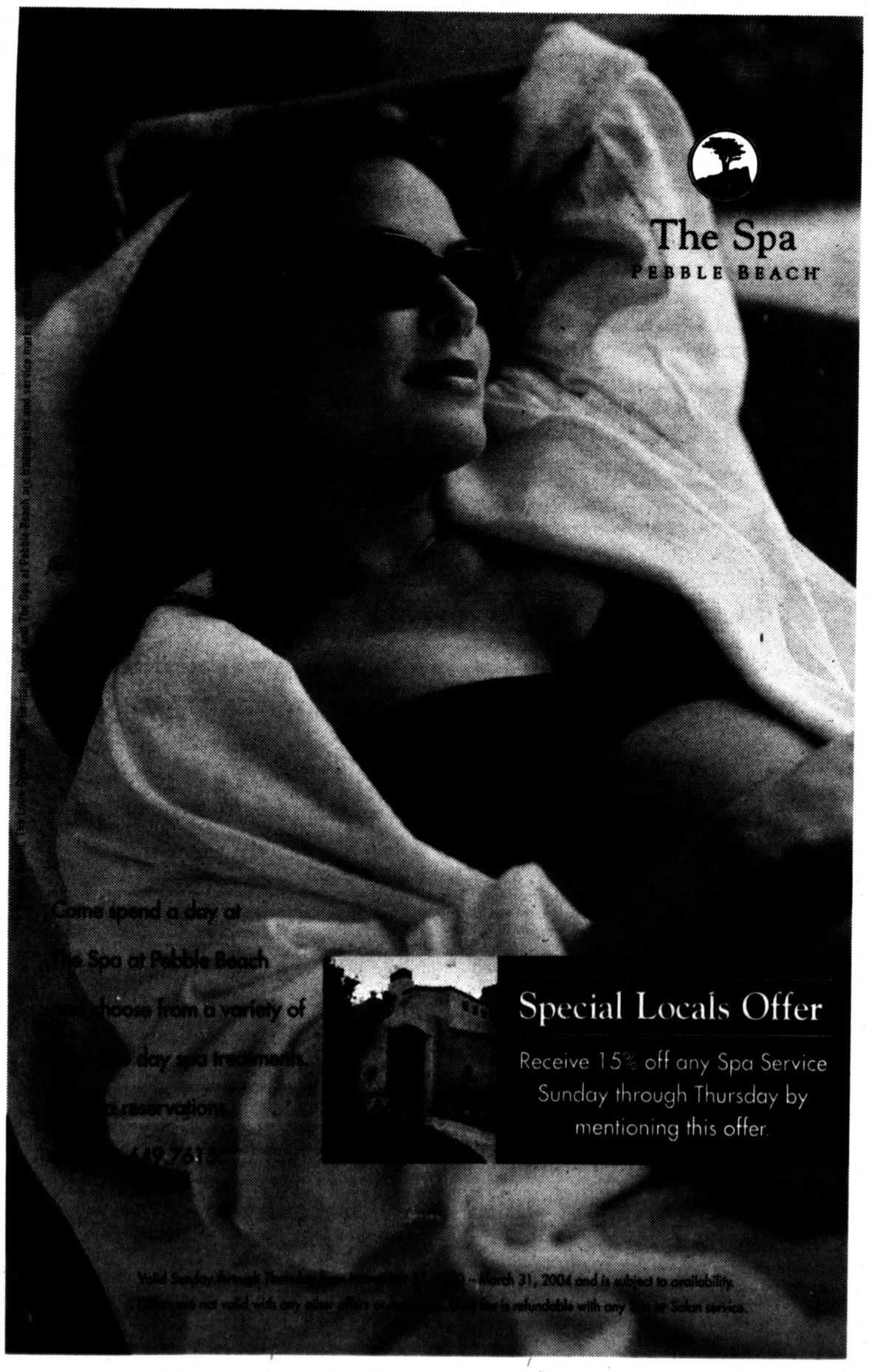
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FREE TREES

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He hopes the group's efforts will be visible not only in Carmel, but in Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach, Monterey and Seaside.

To help people know how and where to plant, Carmel City Forester Mike Branson also donated some fliers containing basic tree planting instructions.

While the pitch canker epidemic persists, some trees appear resistant, and Branson said the seeds he gave the forest group were harvested from trees showing no signs of illness. That does not ensure the young pines will be resistant as well, but makes their chances of survival greater.

"We're just trying to get more trees out there and hope for the best," he said.

Bonus for some

And as a bonus, some members of the public will go home with composted clippings from Pebble Beach's famous golf courses as well.

"Those who are dyed-in-the-wool golfers can have a piece of the course, though it will look like dirt," Thomas said. The 50 bags of mulch supplied by the company will aid in the planting and health of the trees.

According to Thomas, members of the forest friends group may also help residents who are physically unable to plant their trees. He said right now is the perfect time to plant, though residents should be careful to place the tree in an area where it can grow without running into buildings or power lines.

Anyone who misses this year's freebies might not have to wait so long for another chance.

"We would like to do this again next year and have a whole spectrum of native trees to plant," Thomas said.

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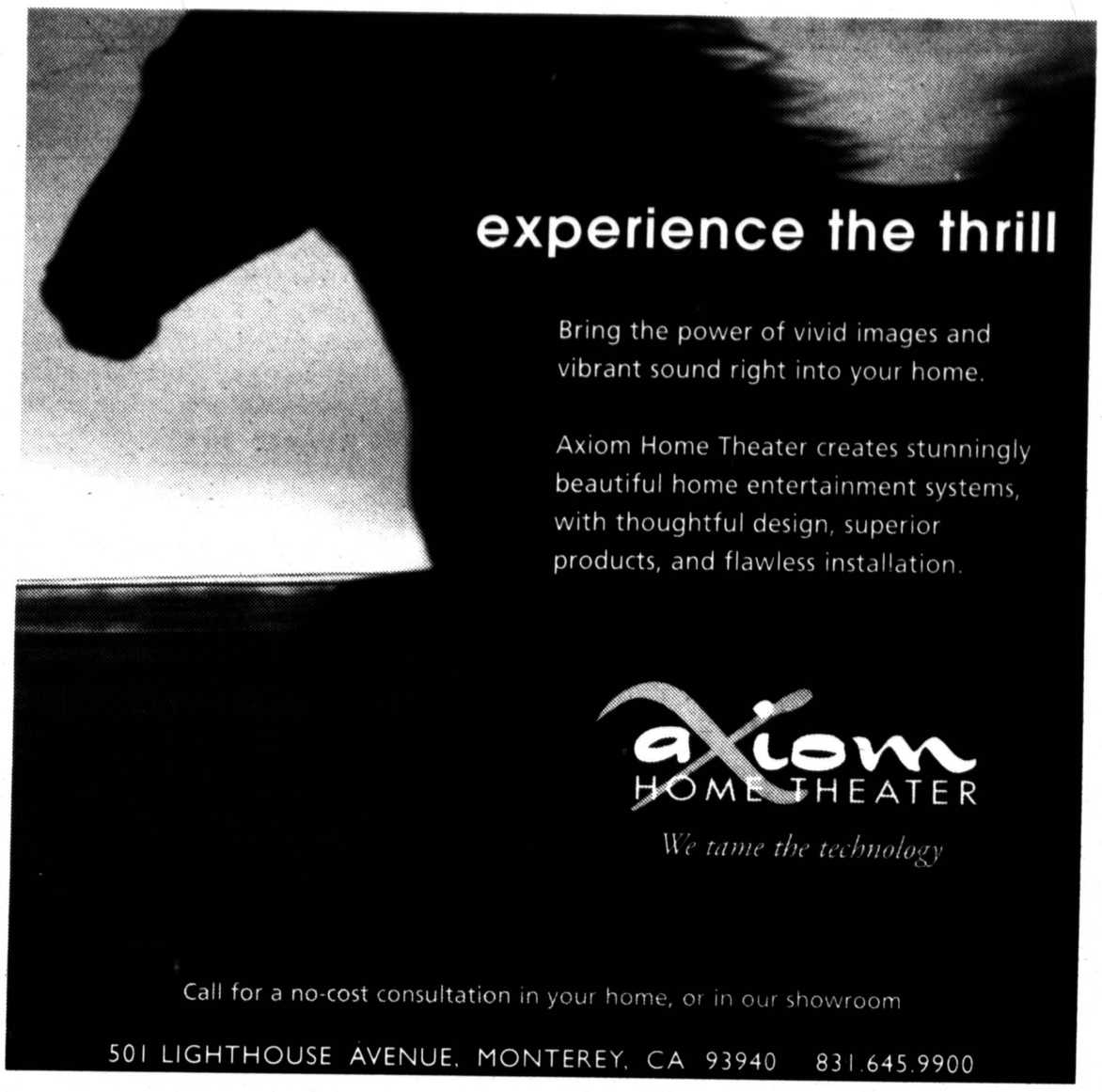
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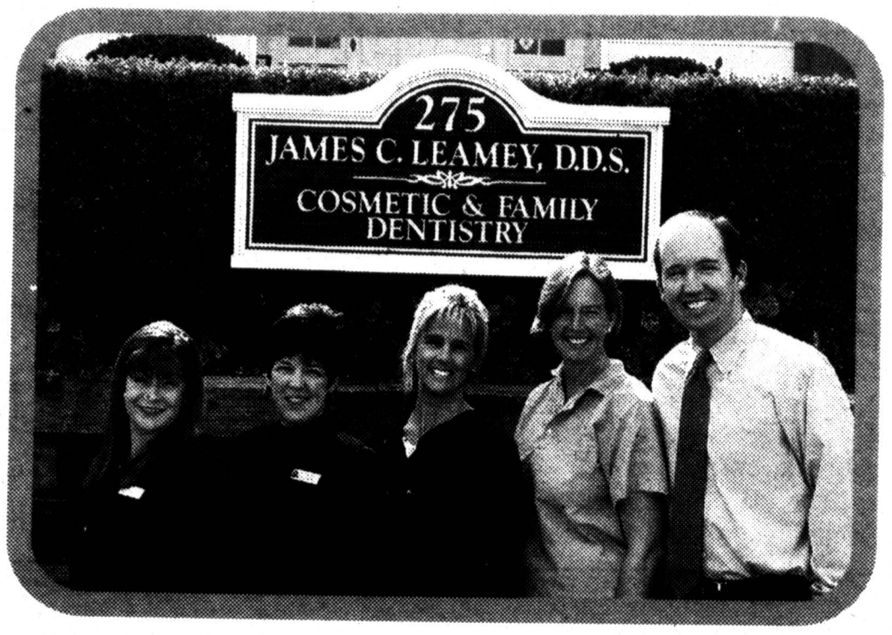
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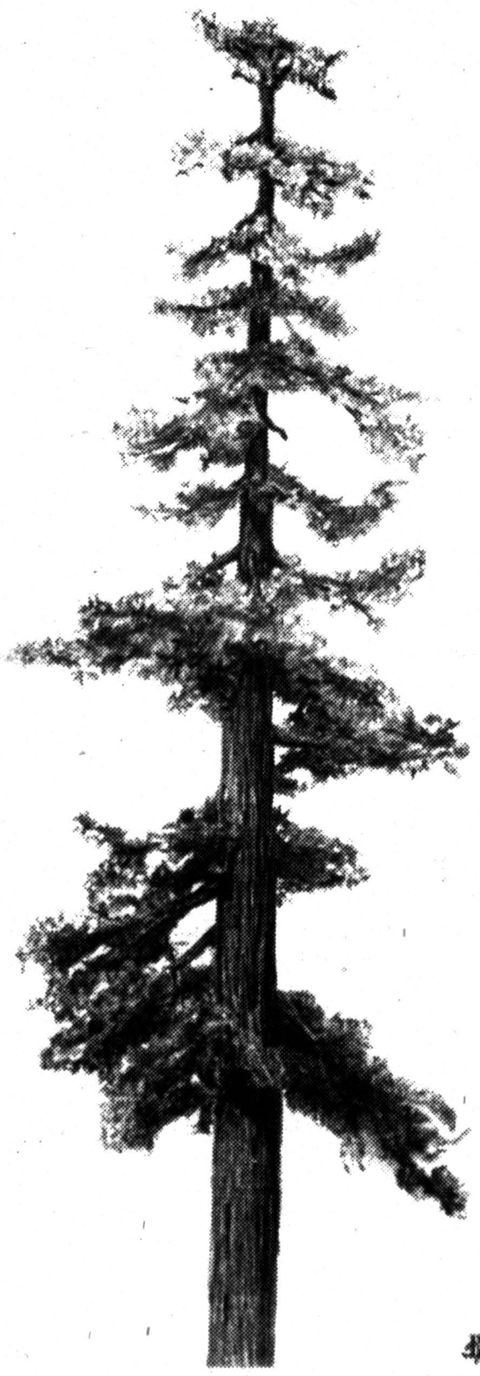
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Carmel Valley

CHRISTENSEN

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heard the news. "He said, 'Mom, I'm a big strong guy and I need to help. I need to serve our country.'"

Christensen began getting in shape by running and giving up alcohol. He enlisted and left for boot camp at Fort Leonardwood, Mo., in April.

Peggy Christensen and Chris Miller — who were married just this week — attended his graduation.

"It was just incredible to see this kid grow up so fast and take charge of his life," she said, describing the thinner, stronger man she spotted standing tall in uniform. "I didn't even recognize him when he came marching down with all the soldiers."

The couple bid Christensen goodbye at Fort Lewis, Wash., and watched him, outfitted in desert fatigues with backpack and gun in hand, leave on that November day for Kuwait.

"I've talked to him probably four times, and he called me on Thanksgiving, but he said he won't be able to talk to me again until after Christmas," she said. "One of the things that keeps me going is when I do talk to him, he talks positive and says he's doing what he's got to do."

Doing more than worrying

The separation has been hard on her, and she hopes to commiserate and collaborate with other local mothers of soldiers.

"Instead of crying all the time and worrying, I'm trying to be strong and think positive," she said, though she admitted to many sleepless nights. "I'm very, very proud to say he's my son, and I'm very proud of what my son is doing for this country."

In addition to sending small packages and letters to him daily, she has gathered donations for Operation Yellow Ribbon, which ships supplies, gifts and notes to soldiers overseas, and is busy working to stuff and send 20 Christmas stockings to her son and his platoon in time for the holiday. She also said the Monterey Marriott, where she works as a waitress, has been generous in donating to the cause.

And her son's decision to enlist opened her eyes to the support the United States military needs from the people it defends, she said. "I don't think people really realize how important it is for all of us to be supporting our soldiers over there, and giving them morale boosters."

Tree to be illuminated in village

THE 12TH annual tree lighting ceremony to be celebrated in the Carmel Valley Village Community Park is scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6.

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COASTAL

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The proposed new coastal commission rules, contained in a document called "Staff Report on the Periodic Review of the Monterey County Local Coastal Program," would also ban new private wells throughout the Monterey Peninsula and Carmel Valley. With no municipal supply available, the ban on wells would cut off the last source of potential water for anybody hoping to build on a vacant lot.

And in a drastic departure from development rules in Big Sur that have protected views from Highway 1 for more than 20 years, the new coastal commission rules would require that new development in Big Sur also "not adversely impact views as seen from public trails."

"Trails go everywhere, so this rule would effectively put all of Big Sur off-limits to new homes — even hidden canyons and valleys that have never been considered public views," said one property owner who didn't want to be identified.

Santa Cruz District Director Charles Lester did not respond to calls seeking comment about the proposed rules, which could be OK'd as early as March.

And Monterey County Planning Director Scott Hennessey said it was too soon for him to comment on specific provisions in the inch-thick coastal commission document.

But Hennessey said he was already concerned the commission wasn't offering to pay for the consultants and staff time it would take to put the new rules in place.

"I'm sitting here trying to figure out how to get up to San Francisco next week to respond," Hennessey said. "With the county budget in such bad shape, we have to focus on essential services, and unfunded mandates just aren't going to get done anytime soon."

The extensive rule changes, made public this week, are part of a two-year effort by the coastal commission staff to update Monterey County's local coastal programs. Changing circumstances make the old plans, certified in the 1980s, out of date, according to coastal commission staffers.

The LCP for Del Monte Forest, for example, allowed up to 900 homes on vast acreage of native Monterey pine forest. The Pebble Beach Company plans to build a fraction of that — just 38 homes, 150 additional hotel rooms and a new golf course.

But, mainly because of the pine pitch canker epidemic, "higher levels of protection" for the Monterey pine are warranted, according to the coastal commission staff says.

CHOMP can cut trees

While the coastal staff is recommending that almost all Monterey pine forest be off-limits to development, it agreed to carve out an exception for Community Hospital's new Forest Pavilion, which would contain 120 patient rooms and eight surgery suites.

More than 150 Monterey pines will be cut to make way for the new wing. But after learning of the commission's heightened concern over the pine forest, officials at the hospital offered to offset the lost trees by preserving 16 acres of forested land

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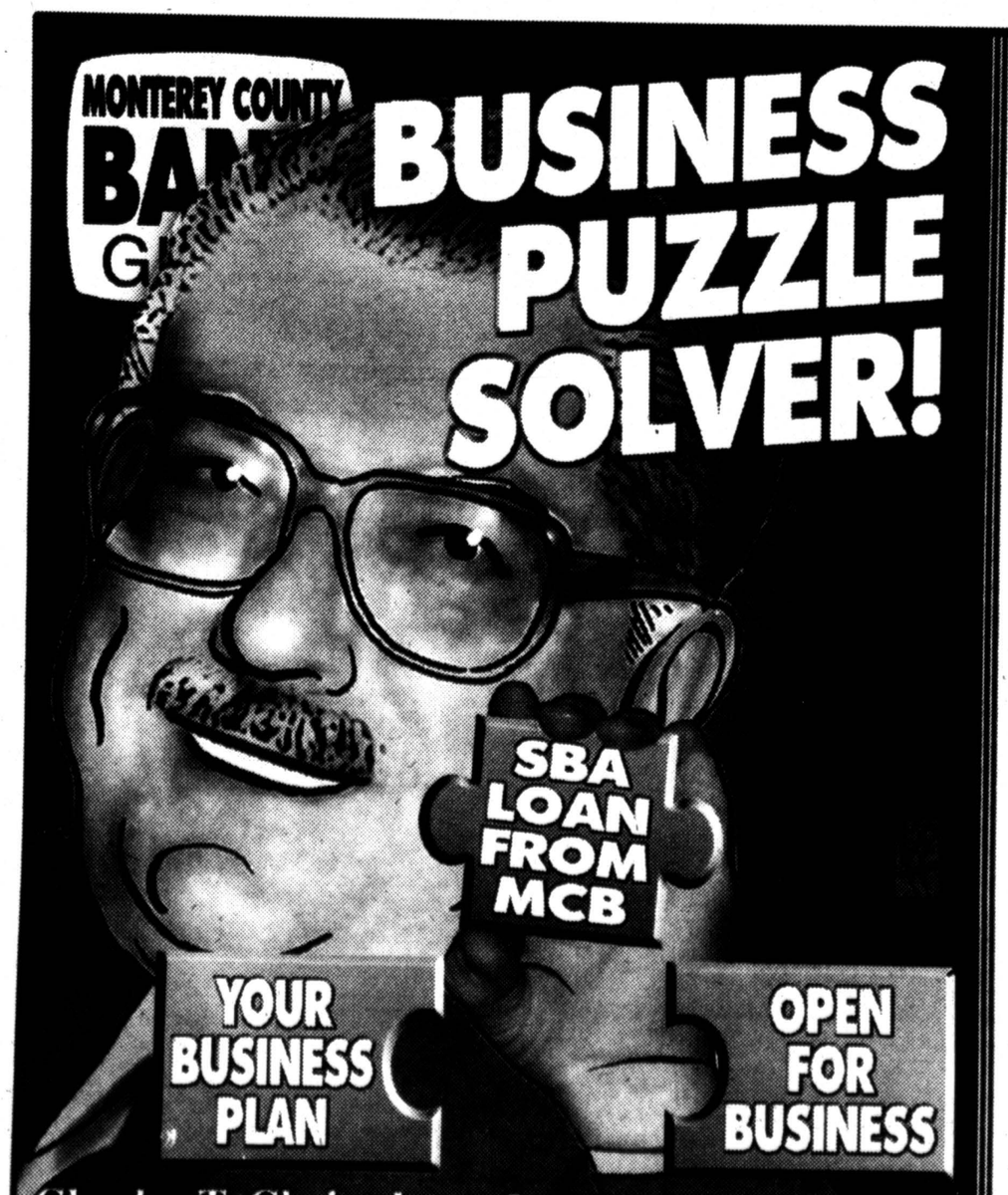


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"Our hospital, which was built in 1962, is often full," said CEO Steven Packer. M.D. "We absolutely need additional capacity. And many of our rooms don't meet modern standards for handicapped access, patient comfort or nursing care."

The hospital had no plans to develop the 16-acre parcel and was happy to preserve it, Packer said.

'With the county budget in such bad shape, we have to focus on essential services, and unfunded mandates just aren't going to get done anytime soon.'

— Scott Hennessey

The Forest Pavilion is part of a five-stage program of improvements at CHOMP which will add 200,000 square feet and 48 beds. If it is approved by the coastal commission next week, construction will begin right away with completion scheduled for late 2005, Packer said.

Meanwhile, there is still no date for oral arguments in the California Supreme Court over a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the coastal commission. The suit, brought by an Orange County environmental group, claimed it is illegal for the Legislature to control the coastal commission, which is part of the executive branch, by appointing a majority of its members. If successful, the suit could give Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger control of the commission. He has not made any public statements about the commission but campaigned on an anti-red-tape platform, which worries coastal commission supporters.

The California Coastal Commission will meet to consider the CHOMP Forest Pavilion and proposed changes to Monterey County development rules on Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Embarcadero in San Francisco.

Benefit for All Creatures Sanctuary

A HOLIDAY celebration to benefit the Love Your Pet All Creatures Sanctuary will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at Wild Goose Cafe, 18 E. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley Village. Appetizers, wine and festive music will be provided. Raffle tickets and artwork will be on sale to benefit the sanctuary. Event is free, donations welcome. More information: 521-7586.

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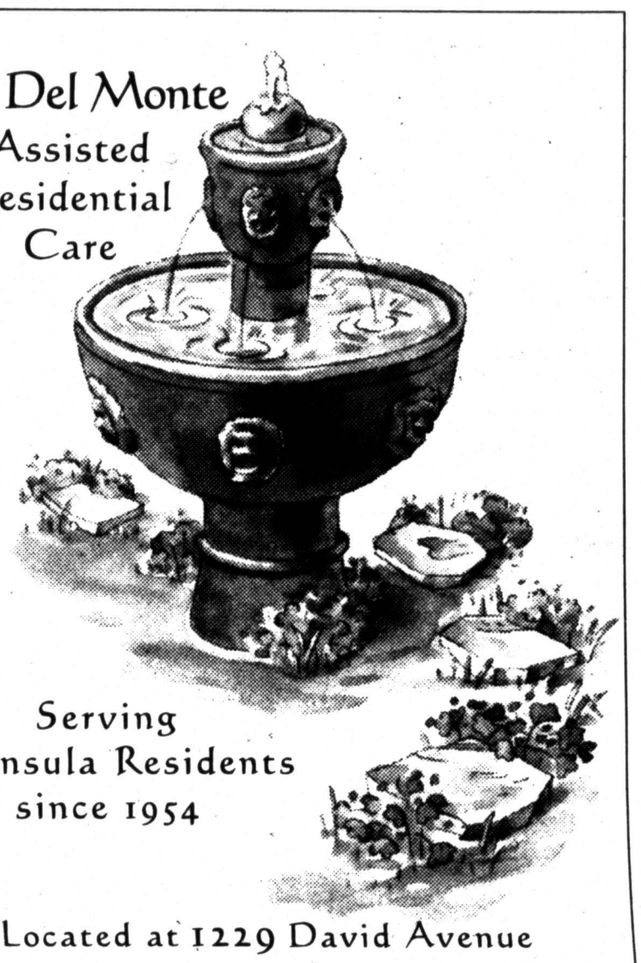
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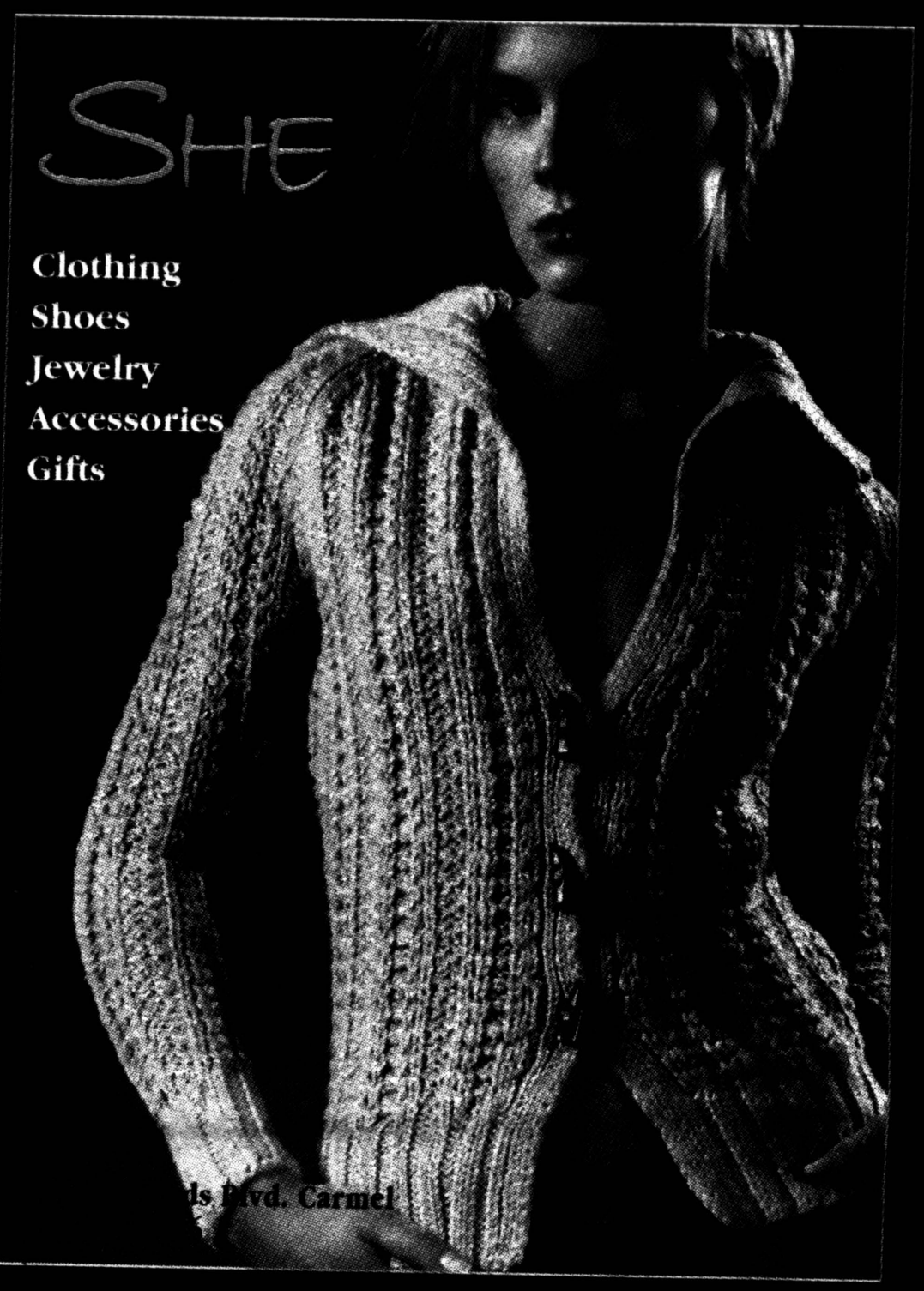
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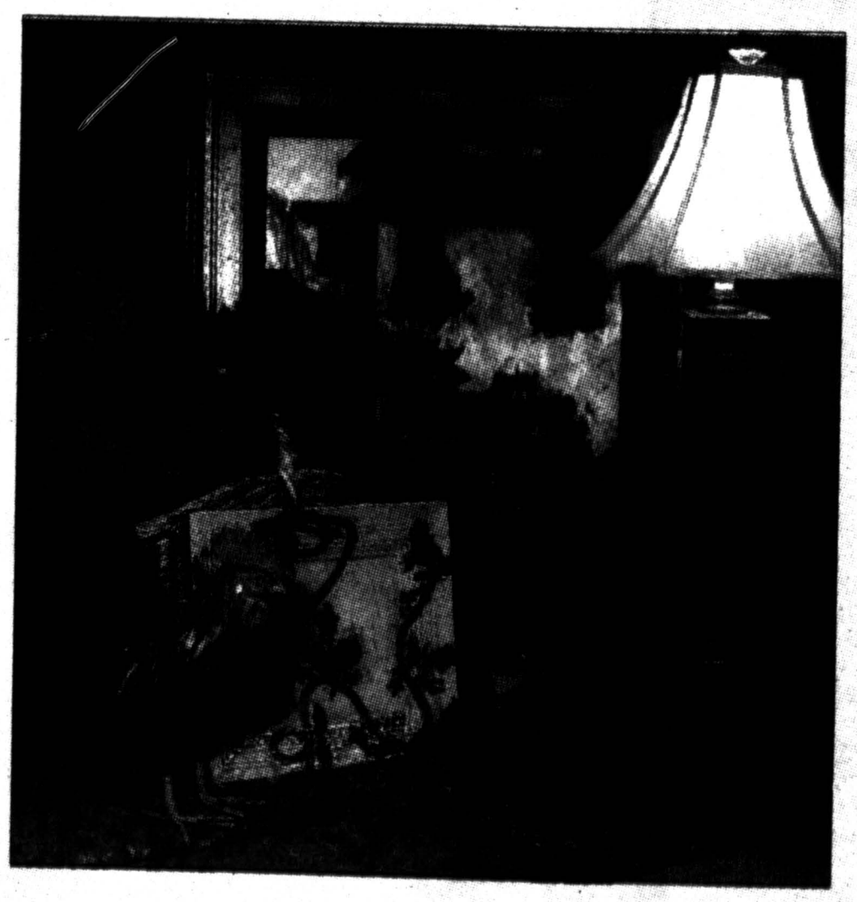


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By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

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THE GEM restaurant, San Carlos at Sixth, is under new ownership: **Joshua Lelah** and **Kendra Gash** purchased it from **Katherine Bryant** and **Albert Steele**.

LA PLAYA HOTEL's **"Biggest Little Christmas Party"** was such a smash hit last year, *two* are planned for this holiday season: Monday, Dec. 15 and Thursday, Dec. 18. Created for small businesses, neighbors, friends or family groups of two to 12 who want to have an atmosphere of convivial revelry at their party, La Playa's Poseidon Room provides an elegant setting. A Christmas tree, dance floor, music and buffet stations follow Champagne and hors d'oeuvres on arrival — all for $35 per person, inclusive of tax and gratuity. Call 624-6476 for reservations.

HAHN ESTATES/SMITH & HOOK WINERY will celebrate its **23rd annual Christmas Open House** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7 at the winery, 37700 Foothill Road, Soledad. The fee is $15 for food and wine tasting for adults, including a souvenir glass (wine tasters must be 21 years or older). Fee for members of the Hahn Family Wine Club is waived. Children will be served hot dogs, dessert and beverage for $5. A shuttle service will be available, and the tasting room is handicapped accessible. For information, call 678-2132.

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THE SARDINE FACTORY, 701 Wave St., Monterey, is offering **holiday specials every night of the week** for $19.95 — including a 12-oz grilled boneless aged rib-eye steak, sautéed scampi of New Caledonia prawns, or Seafood Cappriscio. This very special offer is not valid with other discounts or promotions.

And as if this weren't enough, to celebrate its **35th anniversary**, the Sardine Factory will take 35 percent off the cost of your dinner, excluding alcoholic beverages, tax and gratuity, *for parties four and under*. This is valid through June 30, 2004, but is not valid with any other offer or promotional discount, or on Saturdays, holidays or during special events. Thank you, Bert and Ted. Reservations: 373-3775.

BLACKSTONE WINERY, 800 South Alt St., Gonzales, is having a an **open house and gallery reception** from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 for photographic artists Martha Casanave and Ryuijie. An unveiling of Blackstone's 2001 Lake County Malbec, an inaugural vintage, and a tasting of other Blackstone wines. Call 675-5341 for information.

LEWIS & MORE, "The Best British Store," located on the Alvarado Street Mall at #251 near the DoubleTree Hotel, is again offering all sorts of **British Christmas goodies**, including a Harry Potter small cauldron of mixed candies, decorative British tins of gingerbread and Cadbury Christmas Stockings. Ask if they have those sugar mice to stuff into Christmas stockings this year.

CARMEL PLAZA, Ocean between Junipero and Mission, is getting in **the holiday spirit of giving to the needy**. Big Red Buckets will be placed around the Plaza for good people to put in canned foods and vouchers for turkeys, hams and all kinds of food for those who won't otherwise have a Christmas celebration. Monetary donations may be dropped off at The Dutches of Carmel shop on the second level of the Plaza. Warm clothing, toiletries and blankets are also requested.

MAX'S GRILL at 209 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, is offering a **"Sunset Menu"** from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Chef Max Muramatsu is one of our finest chefs on the peninsula, and this is indeed a special. Call 375-7997 for reservations.

JOULLIAN VINEYARDS, 20300 Cachagua Road, Carmel Valley, is having its annual **Wine & Wreaths open house and food drive** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6. Learn how to make wreaths of grape canes. Call 659-2800 for schedules.

WAGNERS' European Classic Restaurant, Lincoln between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea, is offering a very special **two for one entrée,** valid only when mentioned to your waiter before ordering. Wagners' is open Tuesday through Sundays. Call 626-8000 for reservations.

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By MARY BROWNFIELD

THEY COMMITTED no crimes. Nonetheless, two city hall workers are voluntarily submitting to incarceration. It may only be for an hour and include lunch, but the hard time during a mass jailing at the Carmel Mission Inn Dec. 9 will help raise money to fight neuromuscular diseases.

"I've never really done this before," said city clerk Karen Crouch, who hopes to quickly raise her $1,575 bail in order to be freed well before Tuesday's city council meeting gets under way.

"'Sorry, your clerk can't call roll — she's in jail,'" Crouch imagined the council being informed.

She and administrative coordinator Rhonda Ragghianti are among the more than 75 Peninsula residents nominated to serve time on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Neither knows who suggested they be jailed.

The prisoners will be "arrested," taken to the mock jail site at Carmel Mission Inn, have their mug shots taken, be sentenced to one hour of "hard time" and chow down on "jailhouse grub," during the fundraiser, according to the MDA.

"To help Jerry's Kids, I'm willing to do that," Ragghianti said. "And I'll have good company."

Crouch has supported the MDA ever since she was a kid, when she first saw Jerry Lewis on television pleading for help.



PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

One will give you cookies, the other will give you milk — in exchange for your help getting them out of jail Dec. 9. Carmel City Hall's Rhonda Ragghianti (left) and Karen Crouch are resorting to bribery to raise their bail in the Muscular Dystrophy Association fundraiser at Carmel Mission Inn.

"He's been doing this for a long time, so I've done it off and on through the years — just calling and making a pledge over the phone," she said.

Showing their savvy side and their eagerness to get out of jail before their sentences are up, the two have resorted to bribery. Ragghianti has offered to deliver a dozen home-baked cookies — biscotti, peanut butter, chocolate chip or oatmeal raisin — to anyone donating $25 or more.

"Rhonda came up with this cookie idea, and then I thought: Great, what am I going to do?" Crouch said. The answer was milk — whole milk, 2 percent, 1 percent, nonfat or chocolate — which she will deliver to donors who help her get out of jail.

In addition to city employees, the mass incarceration at Carmel Mission Inn Dec. 9 will include dozens of community members. A doctor and four employees from the Pacific Grove and Carmel offices of orthodontists Tarsitano & Cassady will be among those "jailed for good."

To bail out city staff, call 620-2000; to bail out teeth straighteners, call 624-7244. The money will help fund research, a Stanford Hospital clinic, support groups, grants for wheelchairs and leg braces, summer camps for children and public health education about the more than 40 neuromuscular diseases the agency is working to defeat.

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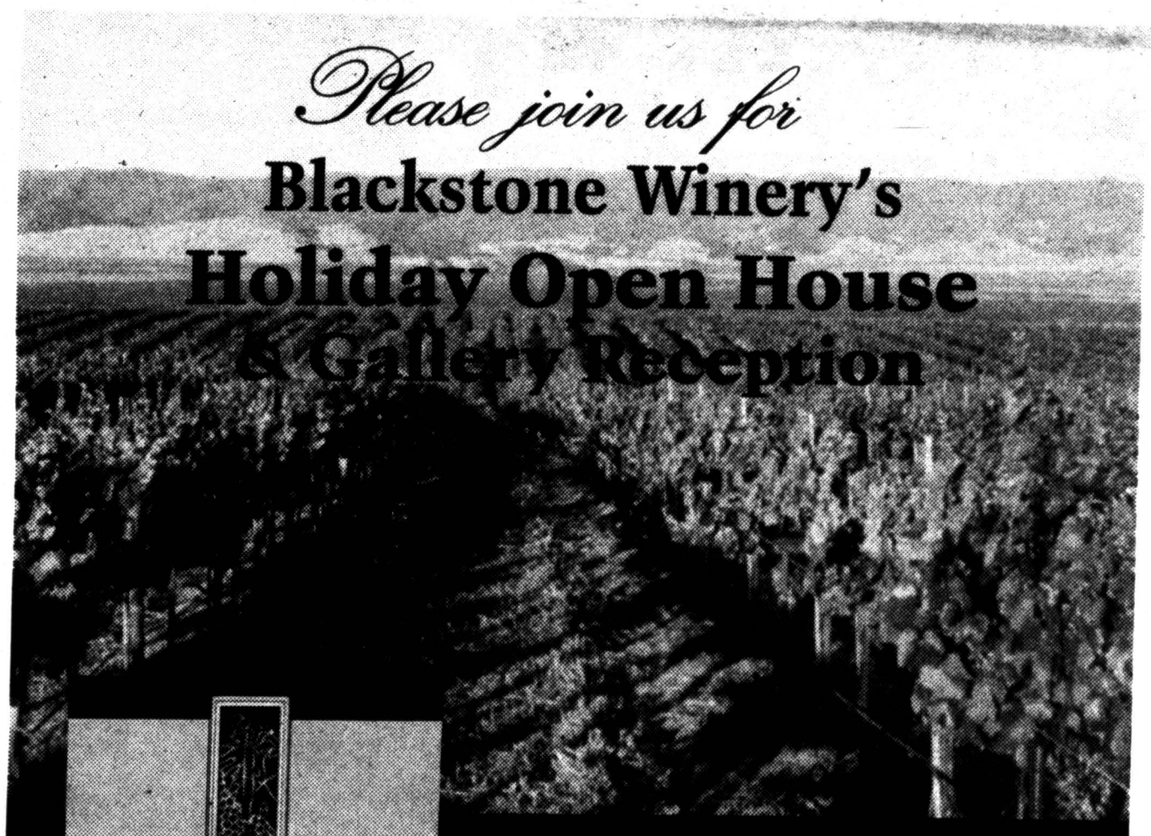
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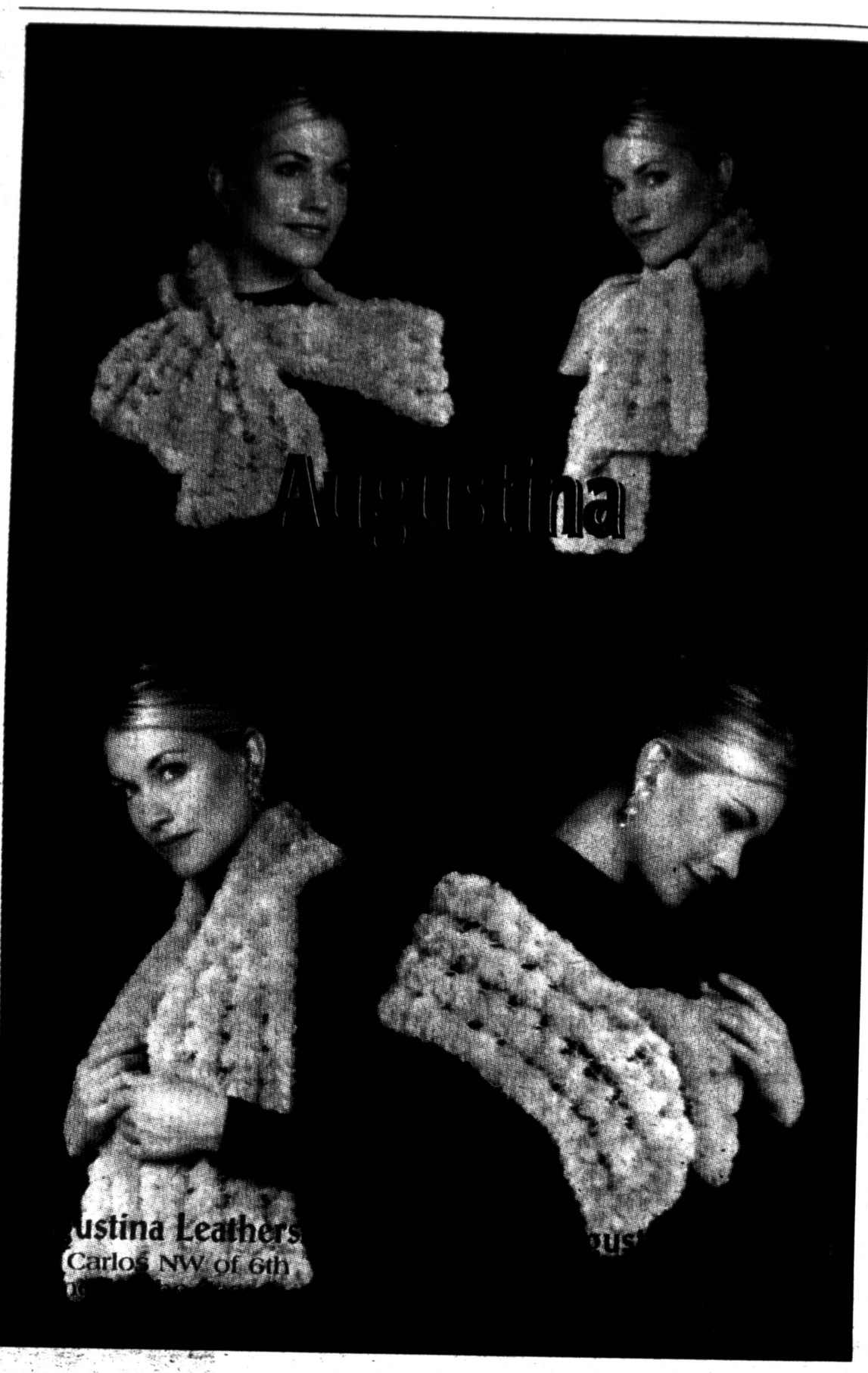
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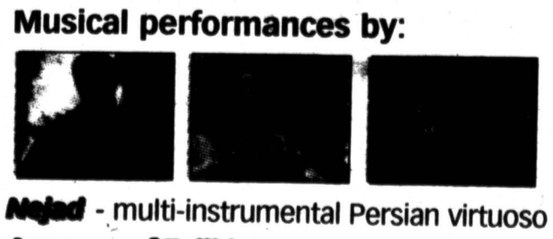
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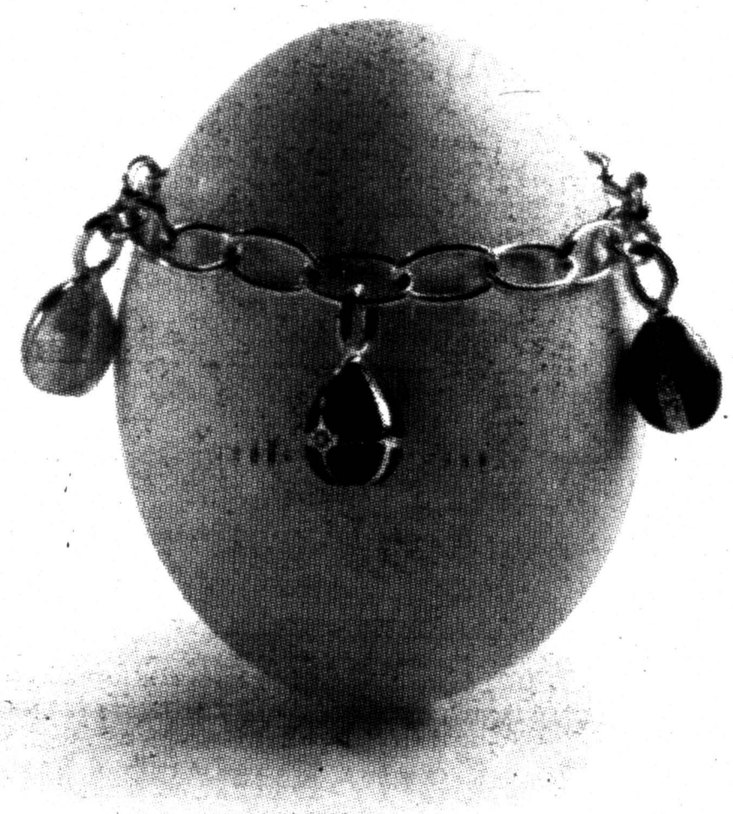
Longtime coach John Ables, who has rarely missed a practice, much less a meet, was not in Fresno to cheer on his troops because he had to undergo eye surgery.

"It just killed him," not to be there, she said. "He told them he was on their shoulders yelling at them, and they'd say, 'Let's do this for Coach!' but it was also for the school, for themselves. They knew they could do it."

Parent Ed Dally, whose son, Matthew, ran in Fresno this weekend as one of four juniors in the seven-member group selected to attend the state championships, was thrilled to be there when the team broke so many barriers.

"It was a tremendous thing. There are five divisions represented from all over the state — 1,900 runners, including boys and girls — and it's an event very heavily attended by parents and the media," he said. "In the cross-country milieu in California, it's the goal of every kid to go there and win."

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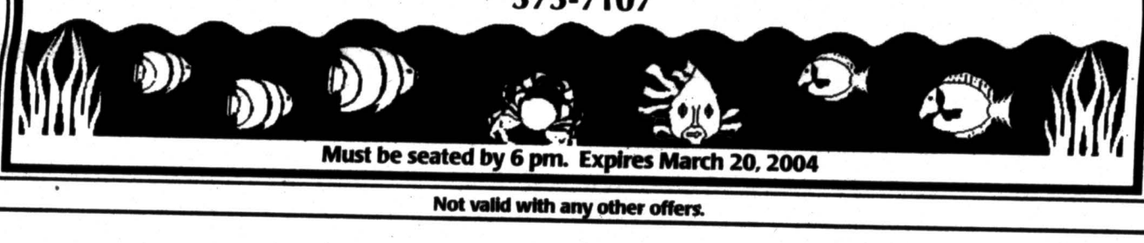
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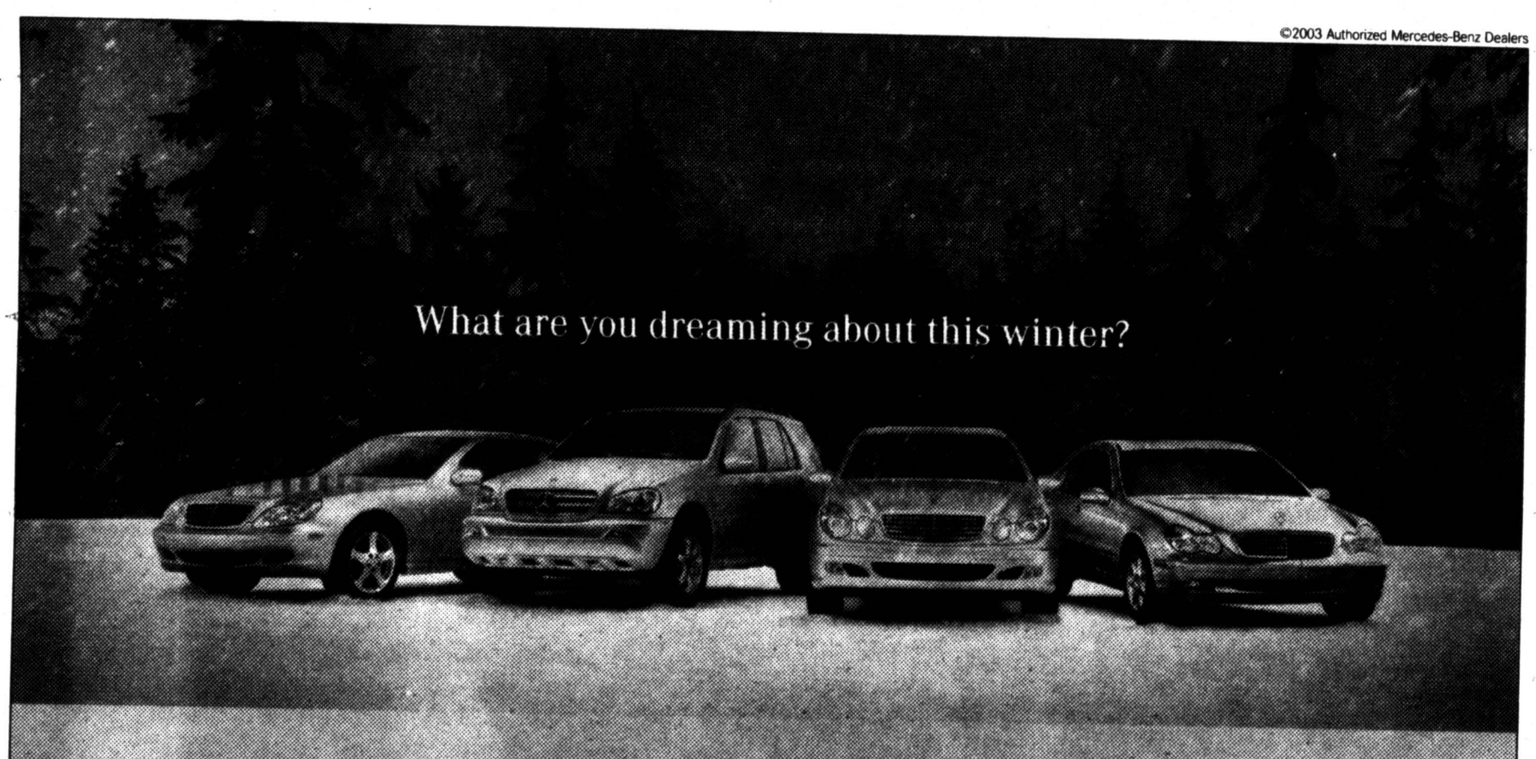
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ELIZABETH COLLINGTON WHISLER, described by her family as "the consummate Navy wife," died Oct. 24 at her Carmel home. She was 81.



Born in Providence, R.I., she met then Lt. George H. Whisler, Jr., U.S.N., in Newport, R.I. in 1944 and they married that year. The Whislers moved often, making homes on both coasts and, during the Vietnam War, in Taipei, Taiwan.

After her husband's retirement in 1980, the couple bought a sailing yacht and cruised the waters of Florida, the Bahamas and the Caribbean, and in 1985 they sold the yacht and settled in Carmel.

Mrs. Whisler was a member of the Navy League and the Monterey History and Art Association and was a Watchstander at the Maritime Museum. She was also a parishioner at Carmel Mission Basilica.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years; a daughter, Kathleen of Laguna Beach; two sons, James of Hawaii and Stephen of New York City, and three grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to the donor's favorite charity.

CLAIRE LOUISE SUSSENBERGER, 72, died Nov. 9 at her Pebble Beach home.

A native of Boston, she lived locally for 22 years, moving here from Saratoga.

Mrs. Sussenberger was a homemaker in the truest sense and was also an animal lover and gardener.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, John K.; her son, Todd of Alabama; daughter Karen Moreno of San Jose; her sister, Peg Bryant of New Hampshire; two granddaughters, and many nieces and nephews.

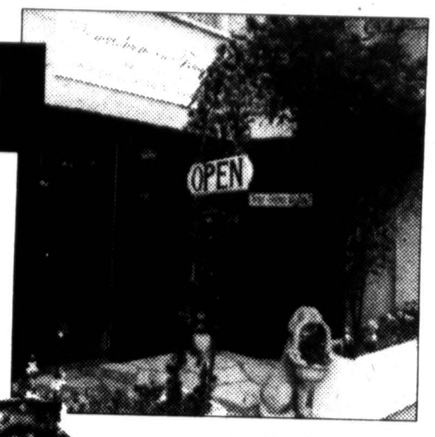
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SUSAN DOWNING STUMBAUGH, M.D., 67, a prominent local allergist for many years, died Nov. 15 in Texas. The daughter of an Army colonel and a concert pianist, she graduated from the University of Oklahoma and the medical schools of Stanford and Johns Hopkins universities.

She is survived by a son, Bjorn of Texas; daughters Terry of Hemet and Patty Rager of Salinas; two grandchildren; her sisters Lelia Pound of Oklahoma and Julie Lyerly of Kansas, and her companion, Paula Reid of Texas.

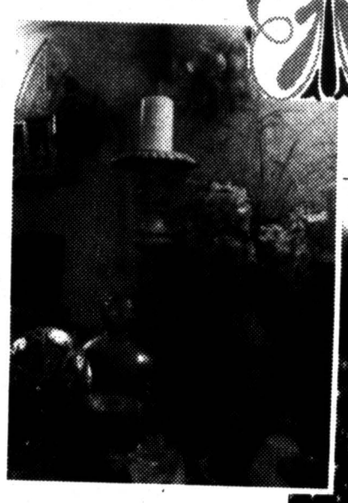
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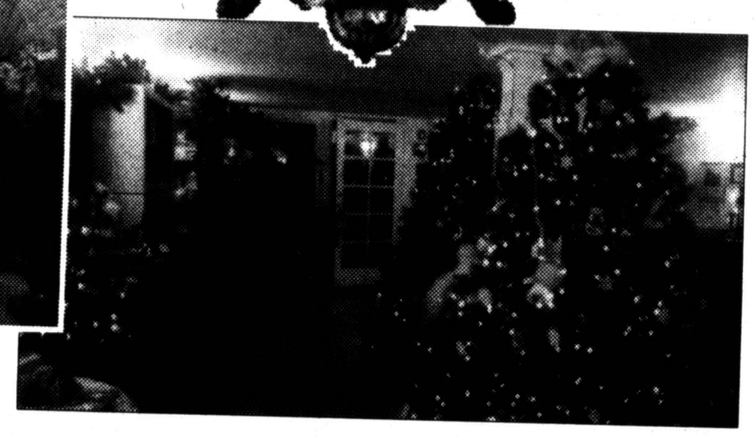
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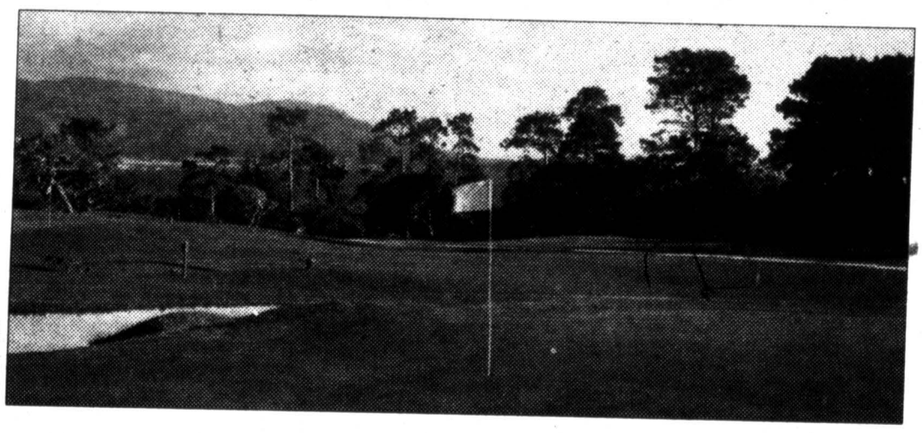
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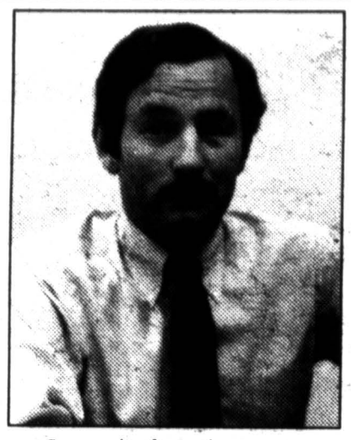
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door."

That first night, he found himself aiming at a suspect in possession of a large revolver.

"All of a sudden, all the policemen on duty showed up. The lieutenant tapped me on the shoulder and said, 'It's OK, son, you can put the gun away.' It took me half an hour to calm down. I couldn't believe I'd been holding a loaded .357 Magnum and pointing it at a human being," Poitras recalled.

When he officially joined the force in 1974, he said Seaside was like the Wild West. He fired his gun — for the first and last time — during a violent car chase. (He hit the car, not the suspect.) And he was shot at by a gunman holding hostages at a Seaside motel. Poitras was not hit, but the officer next to him took a bullet in the head. They ultimately captured the suspect by force, and the wounded cop survived.



Carmel's first detective, circa 1983.



PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

Dec. 30 will be longtime crime fighter Pete Poitras' last day on the job.

After three years on patrol, Poitras made detective, but the department's mandatory rotation back to the street after two years convinced him to quit. He went to work in the fraud department at a large bank, where his investigations sometimes coincided with official law enforcement.

"I went from investigating robberies to being told by two green cops, 'Go stand over there, sir,'" he said. Police work "is a unique club — you're either in it or you're not — and the minute you're out, you're out."

He wanted in again and joined CPD in July 1980.

When he became Carmel's first detective in 1982, some were skeptical. A week later he was put to the test.

It was 3:30 a.m. Three men entered the Pine Inn, brutally beat and bound three employees and a passerby who was in the lobby to buy cigarettes, and stole almost $4,000. The injuries landed the victims in the hospital and likely extinguished the budding film career of the smoker, who ended up losing sight in one eye.

A key piece of evidence in convicting the suspects was Poitras' clue that a roll of duct tape found in one of their homes matched a piece used to bind a victim.

Brains and brawn

Brawn also helped on the job, when Poitras chased a burglary suspect down the entire length of the beach, gun in hand. The man had scoffed and fled after Poitras took aim and told him to freeze.

"He was much faster than I was and would run, stop, take off an article of clothing and throw it into the water, and then run again," he said. At 13th Avenue, the suspect finally ran out of energy, and clothes. He was arrested in his skivvies and charged with four burglaries.

Equally bizarre was the bank robber who left more than the usual trail of evidence. The man Poitras initially questioned didn't appear to be the culprit, but a background check showed he was AWOL from the Army and convinced the detective to search his house.

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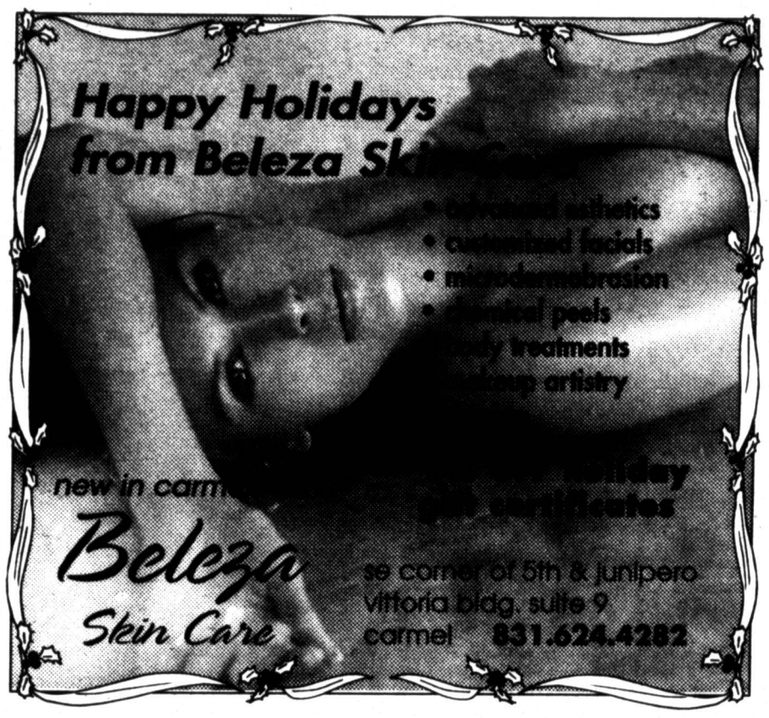
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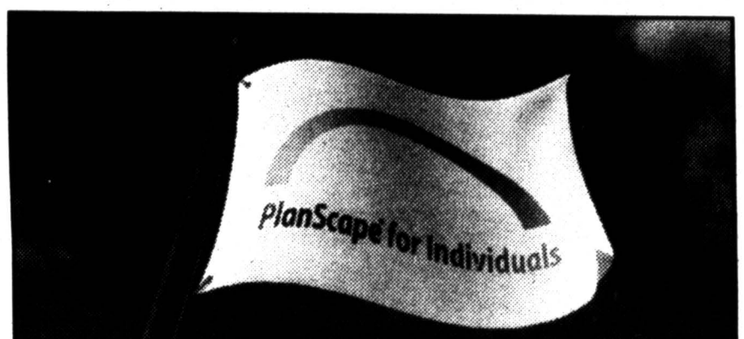
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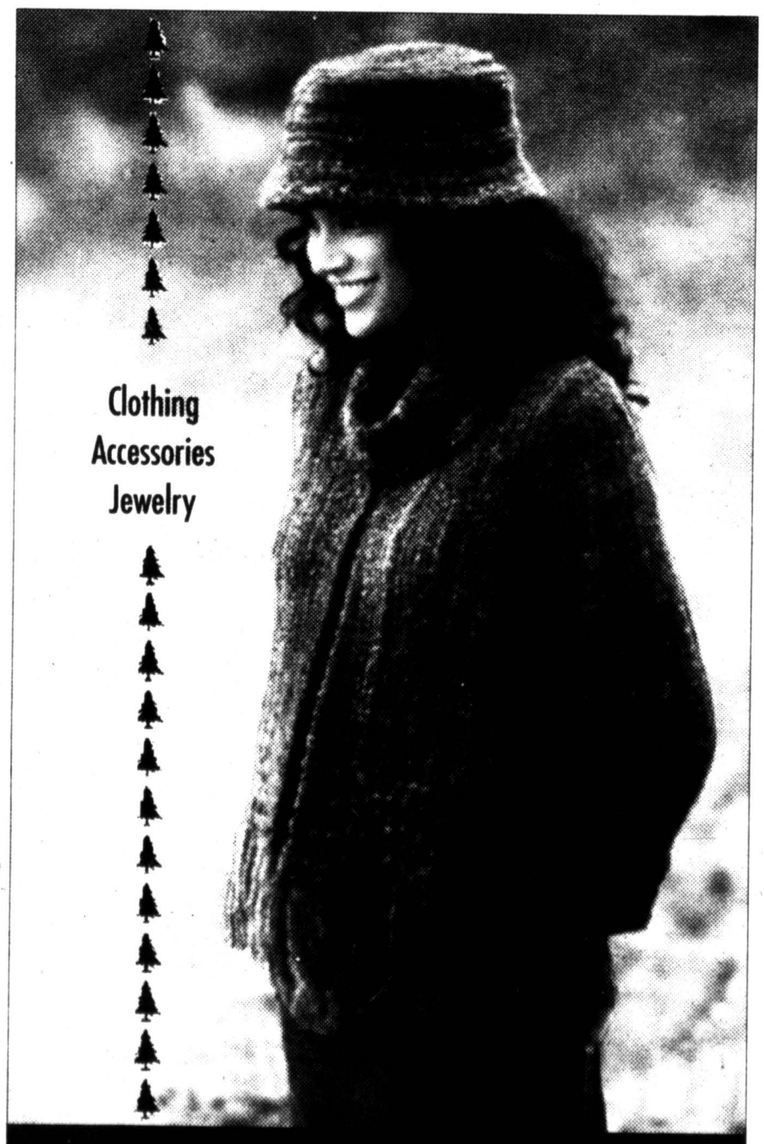
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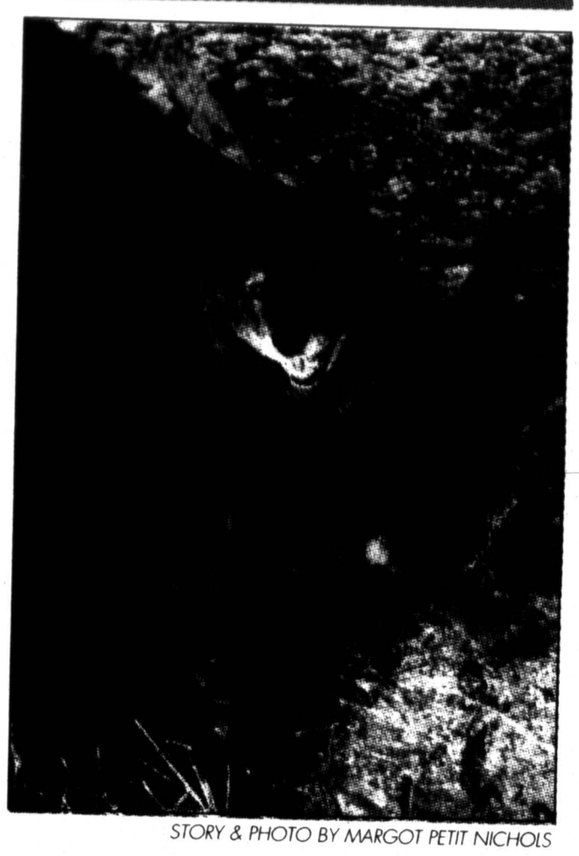
Sandy Claws

TWENTY-THREE Day, 8, is an imaginative blend of Chow and a dog with a long nose, possibly a shepherd of some sort. Whatever her parentage, 23 is like an adorable black bear with a purple tongue and very long fluffy tail.

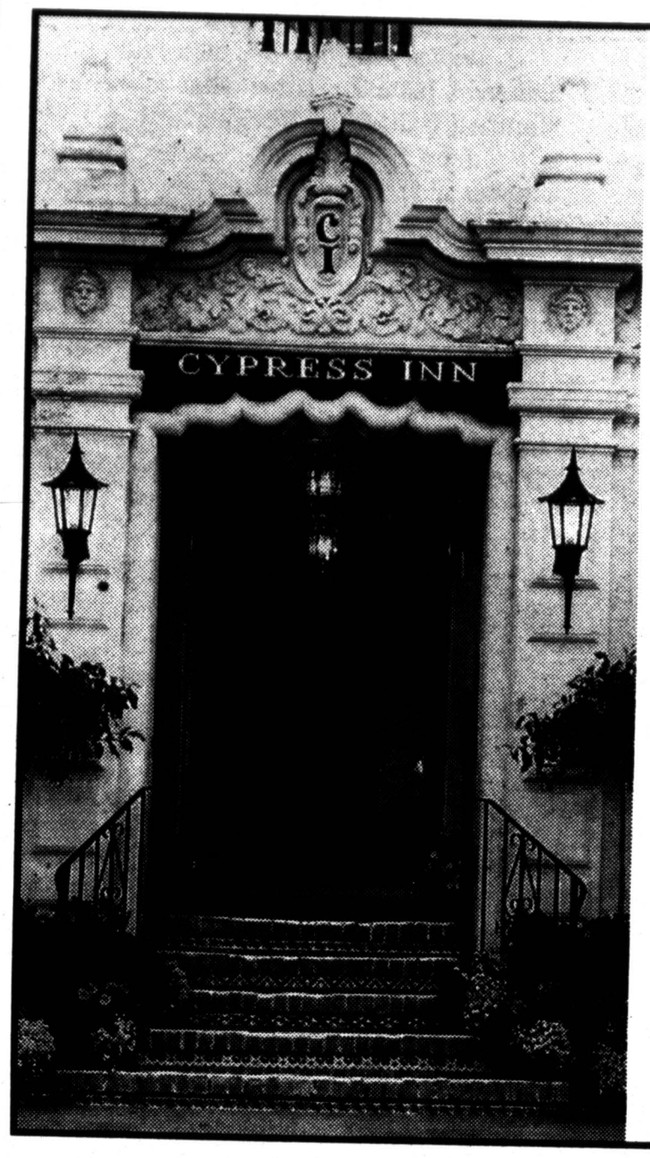
Mom Ann and Dad John adopted her from the Monterey County SPCA just in the nick of time – two days before *her time was up*. All the other dogs were barking and carrying on, but 23 sat in cage #23 quietly waiting. When John bent down for a better look, 23 put her paw on the cage wire near John's face. She had selected her parents.

On visits to Carmel Beach, 23 sees no advantage to fetching and catching – she invariably misses or drops whatever is thrown to her. But she does treasure friendships and delights in playing with Great Dane Van Gogh, who lives next door, and various other neighborhood dogs in Carmel Woods. She monitors passersby from her top-o'-the-couch window view so she can report on neighborhood happenings.

An outdoor activity she pursues with fervor involves locating subterranean gophers and moles. One day she unearthed a mole. It's not certain who was more surprised, the mole or 23, but they stared at each other for awhile, and the mole, being no dummy, withdrew from sight, and 23 went back in the house.



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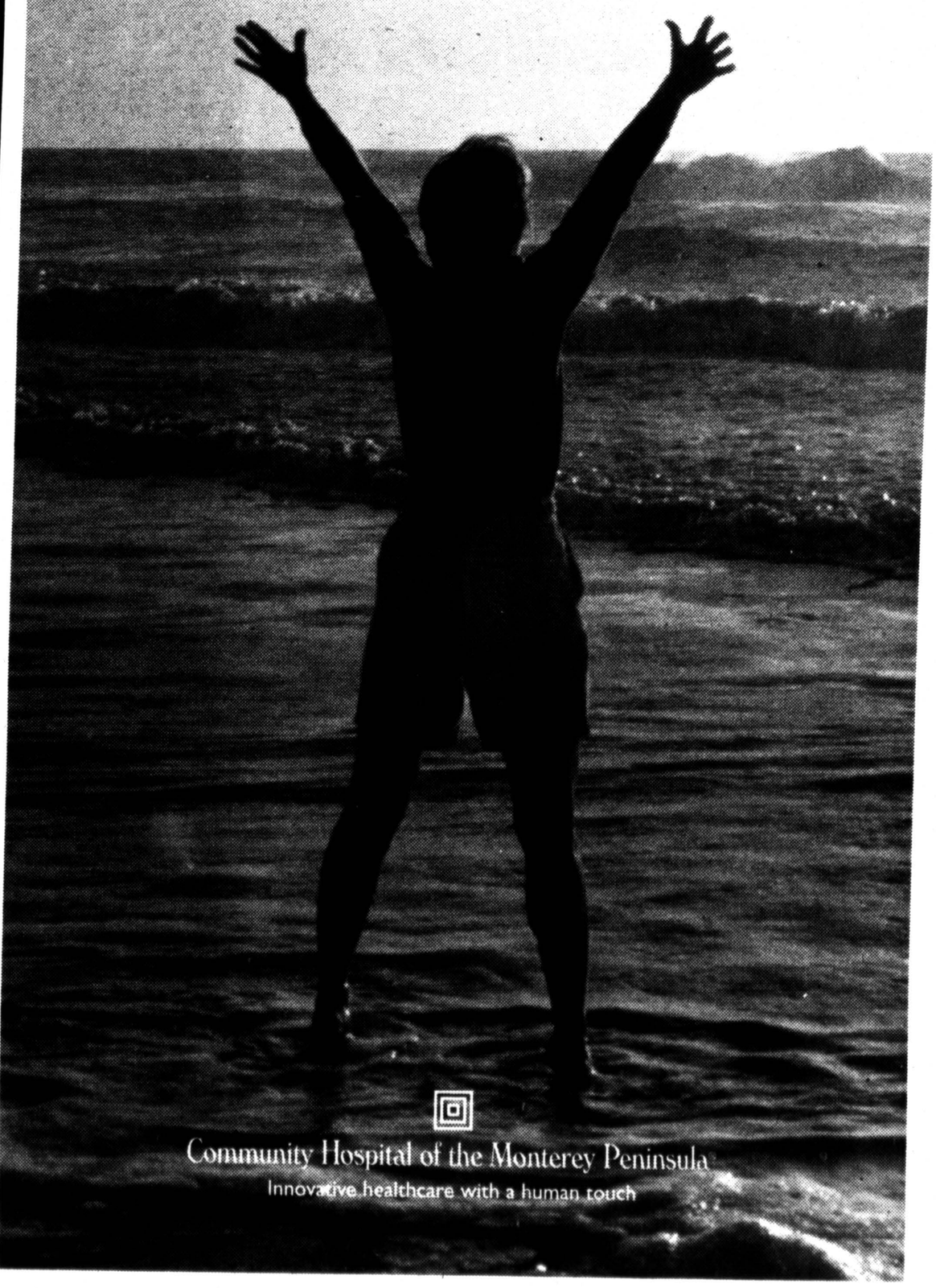
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DETECTIVE

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"Not only did we find the robbery note in the trash, but a to-do list sitting on the counter, and one of the items was, 'rob the bank,'" Poitras said. The clothes he'd been wearing were also in the closet, and Poitras and an FBI agent arrested him that night.

Perhaps his *pièce de résistance* was the six-year investigation which culminated in the jailing of eight Southern California criminals. The case began when two armed robbers stole $213,000 worth of Persian rugs from Conway of Asia.

Poitras credits CPD for giving him "the luxury of time" to investigate.

Evidence was thin, but then Poitras recognized a pattern in three other robberies in Southern California. Working with the FBI and a female informant — who was kidnapped and briefly tortured by ringleader Rupert "Bump" Williams — they managed to identify the criminals.

The woman was freed after convincing Williams she wasn't a snitch. "She was ultimately able to get him to fess up in pillow-talk," he said.

The detective work netted Poitras the Monterey County Peace Officers Association Officer of the Year award for 1999.

Throughout his career investigating crime, from the mundane to the odd to the horrendous, Poitras remains surprised by Carmelites' stubborn assumption their city is quaintly safe.

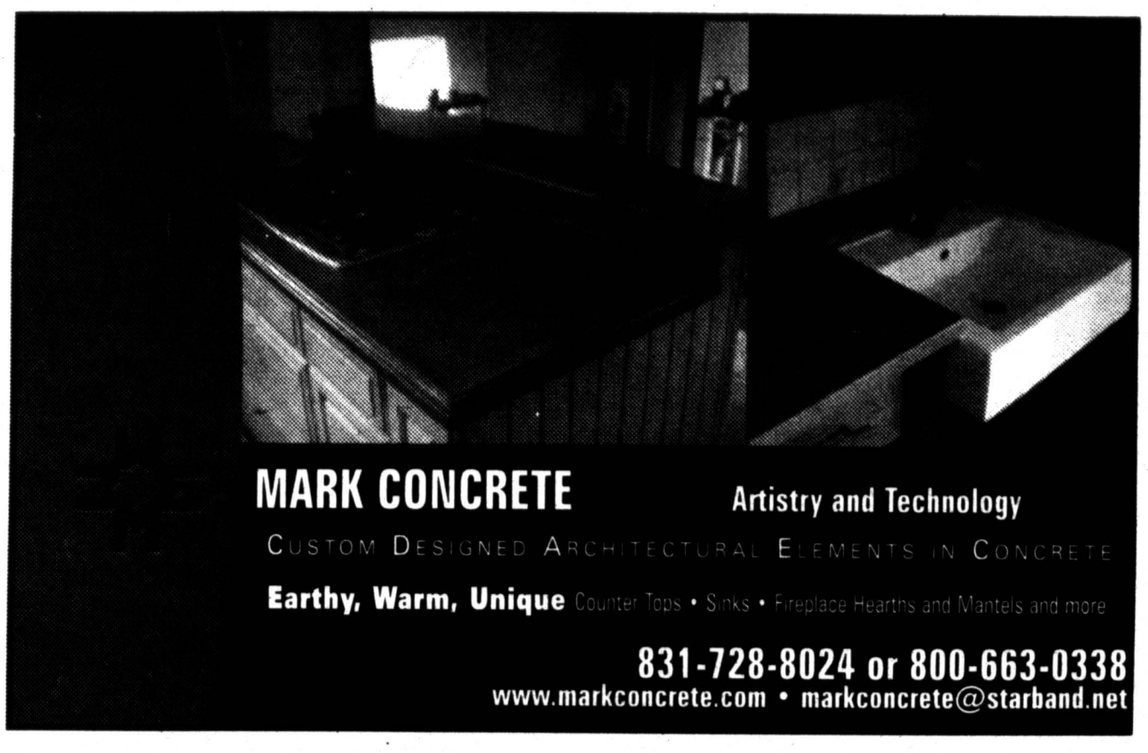
"It has never ceased to amaze me the degree to which this town continues to be complacent," he said. "People just don't think bad things will happen here — even some of the people who go to great lengths for security when they leave."

In addition to being more readily available for his octogenarian parents and his wife, Poitras plans to conduct background checks for the department part time and may occasionally offer his detective skills, though he has great confidence in current detective Buck Melton.

He will also pursue his other vocation — wedding photography — and said even that has its thrills.

"Not too long ago, I was shooting a wedding at the Community Church, and they were kind of frazzled," he said. "They left the bride's mother at the church and all went without her to the reception."

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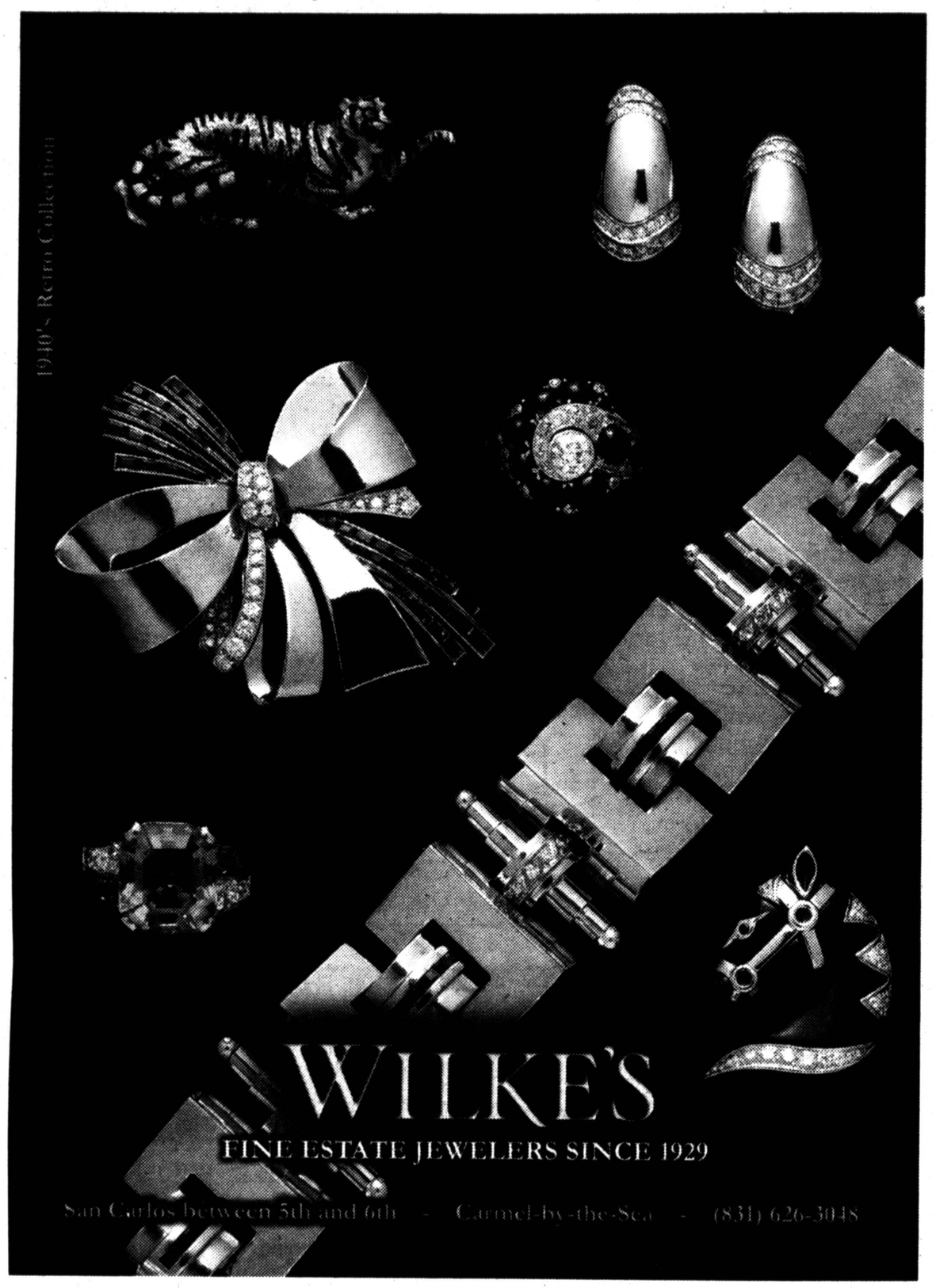
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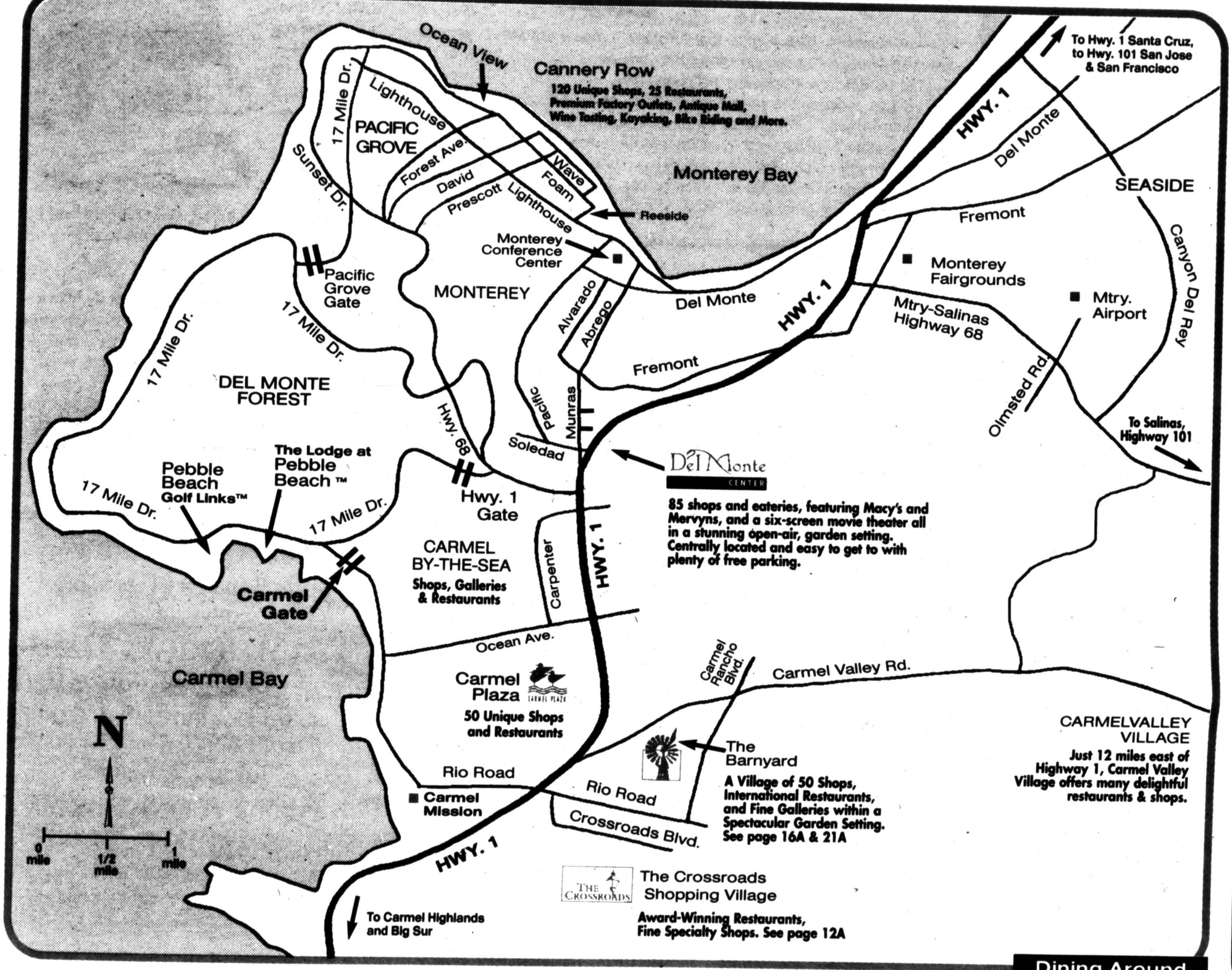
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✓ Performance Carmel presents comedic 'Second City'

WICKED IMPROVISATION and hilarious sketches are the hallmarks of Second city, the comedic troupe whose graduates include John Belushi, Martin Short, Joan Rivers, Gilda Radner and Bill Murray.

Performance Carmel presents Second City's National Touring Company, "The Best of Second City," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6.

The setting is Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth.

Second City tickets are $35, with Performance Carmel subscription discounts still available. For reservations or further information, call 624-3996.

✓ 'Heartstrings' releases CD with concert celebration

A MUSICAL collaboration, Heartstrings, composed of five local women who perform a blend of folk and traditional music from around the world, is celebrating the release of the CD, "Well-Travelled."

The concert celebration, complete with refreshments, will take place 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 at the Unitarian Church, 490 Aguajito Road at Highway 1.

Admission is free with advance reservations, which can be made by contacting Heartstrings via e-mail at www.uucmp.org. Otherwise, admission will be $5 at the door.

✓ 'Crimes of the Heart' at CHS

CARMEL HIGH students will stage the Beth Henley play, "Crimes of the Heart," at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Dec. 20 on the CHS campus. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are $7 for adults, $5 for students and seniors. To learn more, call 624-1821, ext. 301.

✓ Carmel Art Association hosts miniature show, yule open house

A FAVORITE tradition among locals launched 70 years ago, the Carmel Art Association's annual Miniature Show Reception and Holiday Open House party is slated for 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6.

CAA members produce tiny works of art for this exhibit, and these will be available for purchase through Jan. 7.

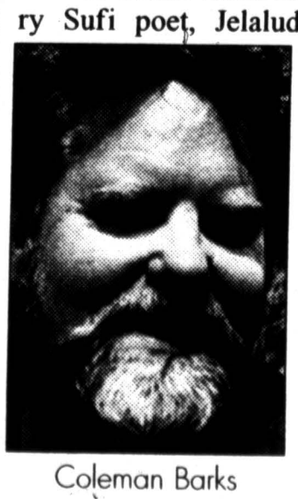
For the holiday season, the CAA is accepting unwrapped toys for children of all ages, plus nonperishable food donations for the Salvation Army now through Dec. 15.

The gallery is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and is located on Dolores Street between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

For details, call 624-6176 or visit www.carmelart.org.

✓ Celebrated presenter brings Rumi poetry alive for benefit

"SOULS ABLAZE" brings to life the writings of 13th century Sufi poet, Jelaluddin Rumi, in spoken word and music. Produced by Conway of Asia, the performance is a benefit for the Nepali Youth Opportunity Foundation.



Coleman Barks

Coleman Barks, who translated the mystic's writings, will be featured. He is joined by Aqnazar of Tajikistan, a vocalist and musician schooled in interpretation of the classical Persian poets, and Mohammed Nejad, a multi-instrumentalist from Tehran, Iran.

"Souls Ablaze" will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 in Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel. Tickets are $50 for patron's preferred seating, and $30 general. For reservations, call 624-3643.

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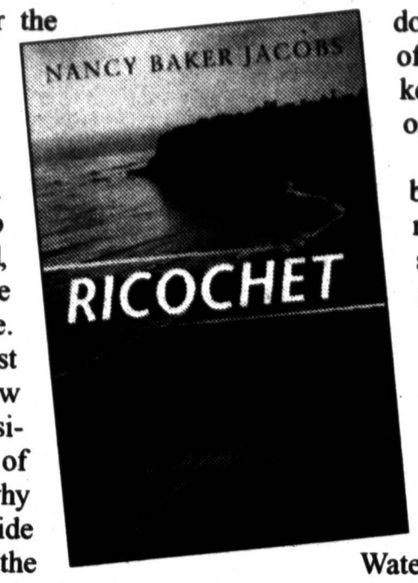
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Decaying body in the bed — not your usual Carmel cottage *accoutrement*

CARMEL-BY-the Sea is a quiet little town of charm, where crime is exemplified by a potted hydrangea stolen from the steps of a charming cottage, or a car egged in a drive-by act of violence.

Not so in **Nancy Baker Jacobs' "Ricochet,"** her latest Five Star mystery novel in which Carmel is the setting for murder, a kidnapping, attempted murders and arson. This is hot stuff.

Intricately plotted and peopled with characters as diverse as everyday housewives, a former Big Sur druggie now walking the straight-and-narrow, low lifes, and a good guy, single parent attorney who is there for the protagonist, Annabel, through grisly murder, *et al.*



One of the cast of characters is Jeff Link, a well-meaning, competent private eye — not too swift on the uptake — who drops in to inform Annabel that her husband, missing now for a few days, may be in line for an immense inheritance. Annabel, too, is not the brightest bulb on the tree, who doesn't know anything about her husband's business, doesn't question the absence of business colleagues, or wonder why there is plenty of money to provide her and her son Nicky with all the necessities of life. Never mind that he slaps Annabel around once in a while when she asks too many questions.

That should have tipped her off right there.

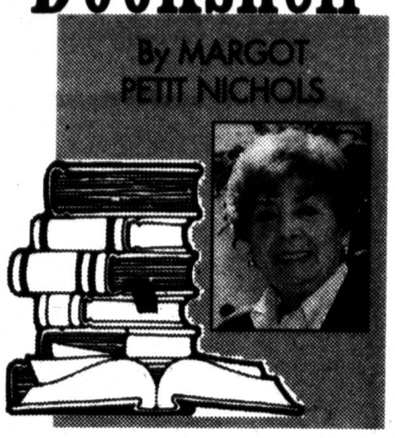
Is it any wonder the police mark Annabel as a suspect when her husband's body turns up in their marital bed in an advanced state of decay with a carving knife in his chest.

That's pretty much how the novel's first few chapters rivet the reader's attention, and that's even before the kidnapping, other attempted murders, and arson take place. As Annabel does some investigating on her own, she learns the secrets of her husband's mysterious past, clears her name, and keeps her 1-year-old son safe throughout the whole ordeal.

The Pacific Grove author, who, in a former life has been a private detective, university professor and a journalist, draws on her knowledge of these diverse professions with ease, lending verisimilitude to her characters and plots in her many books. This is Nancy Baker Jacobs' third novel written for Five-Star, an imprint of Gale publishing, Waterville, Maine. She has penned the Deven MacDonald private eye series, "Flash Point" and "Star Struck," seven suspense novels and six nonfiction books as well.

The Bookshelf

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS



"Ricochet" will appear in local bookstores this month as a 257-page hardcover priced at $25.95. Fans of Nancy Baker Jacobs will like the fast pace and good writing they have come to expect with each new novel.

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"BACK TO the Drawing Board with Artist Jo Mora — Life, Works, Exhibitions" by **Julianne Burton-Corvajal,** has been published by the Monterey History and Art Association. The book assembles all the information previously in print on Mora's life and works in a chronological format. There are 70 black and white illustrations and photographs, many published for the first time. The photographs are just wonderful — a true glimpse of his artistic, family

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View the last exhibit of children's Christmas art in The Thunderbird dining room. **Pat Spencer,** now retired, has taught kindergarten for 43 years with the last 38 years on the peninsula. Her children's Christmas art has been hanging in The Thunderbird since its location in Carmel Valley Village. This exhibit is her personal collection of art work that she has accumulated throughout the years.
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TUES – DEC 9

The Thunderbird Book Club will discuss ***The Bookseller of Kabul*** by **Asne Seierstad** and ***The Hotel on the Roof of the World*** by **Alec Sueur.** All are welcome!
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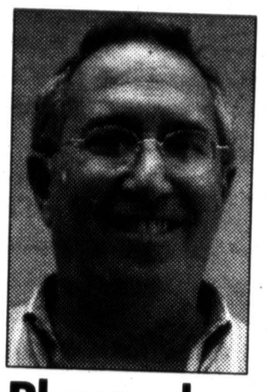
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Spangalang to Celtic Christmas on peninsula this weekend



Plugged In

By Stephen L. Vagnini

FOR MORE than two decades **Spangalang** has been one of the most popular groups on the Central Coast. Saturday night, Dec. 6, the South Bay-based quintet performs at Sly McFly's and although their local appearances have become rare, the group still has a major local following in great part due to the success of their vocalist **Tony Lindsay** and their saxophonist **Tom Politzer**.

Politzer today performs with the legendary horn group Tower of Power and Lindsay is working on a successful solo career and also moonlights as the lead singer for multi-Grammy Award winner Santana. Call 649-8050 for details.

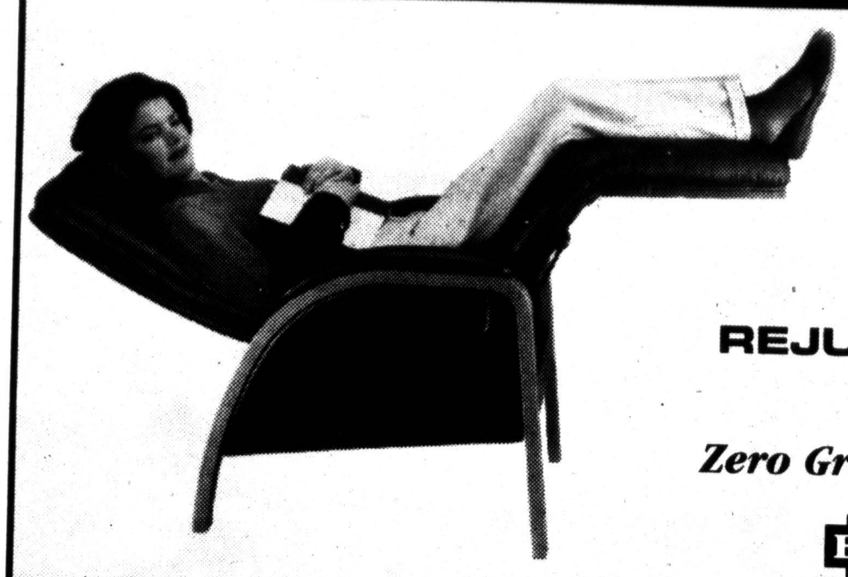
The first performance of the **18th Annual Celtic Christmas** is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Pacific Grove Community Center. Celtic harpist **Amy Krupski** and storyteller **Taelen Thomas**, perennial favorites and co-founders of this popular community event, will be joined this year by vocalist and guitarist **Nancy Raven**, vocalist **Shannon Miller**, **Marc Rush** on wooden flute and members of the **Monterey Peninsula Harp Ensemble**. The much anticipated Christmas program features seasonal music and stories from the British Isles.

For advance tickets and more information call the Pacific Grove Arts Commission at 372-5255.

Tickets are also available at the door at $15, but advance purchase is recommended.

Singer, songwriter and now author **Mary Anne (Randl) Anderson** will appear at Borders Books in Sand City Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6-7 along with Brazilian pianist **Weber Iago** in a musical literary reading of her book "Letters to a Love Unsung/Cronicas de un Amor Eternal." The book is a collaboration of music and poetry blended together to create a short dramatic story of an intense unrequited love. Readings begin at 2 p.m. Call 373-2115 for more information.

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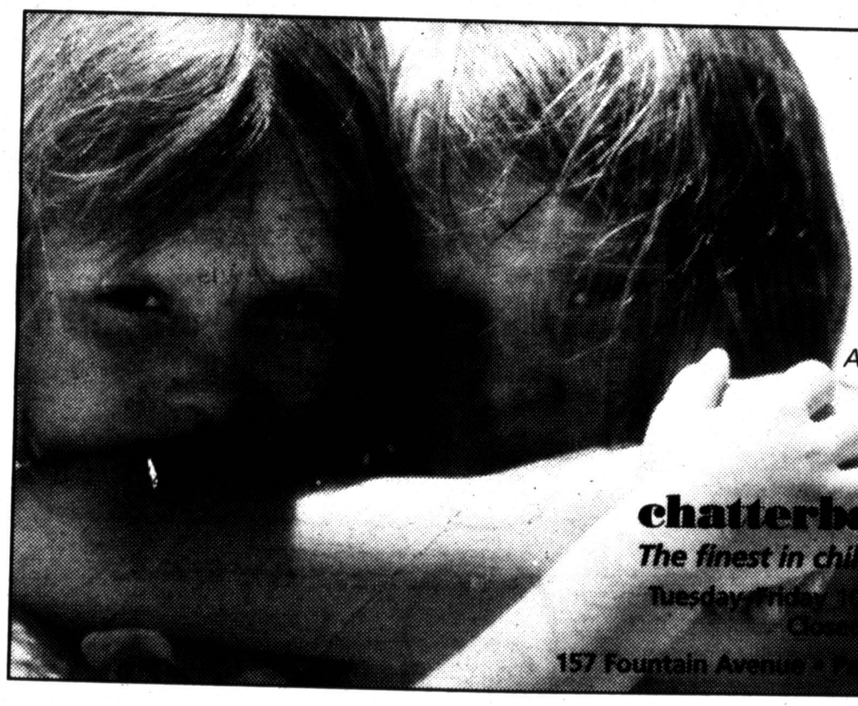
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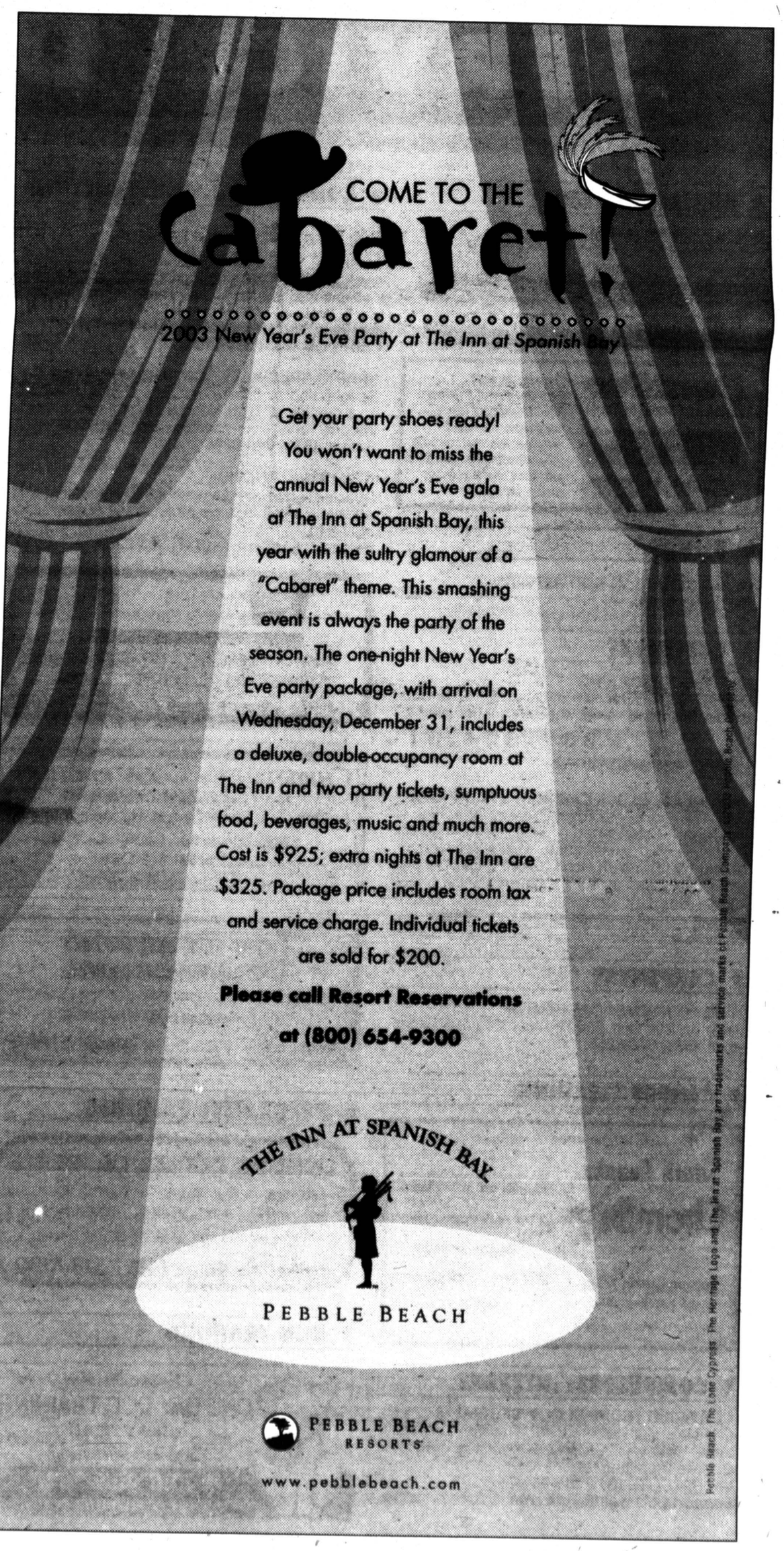
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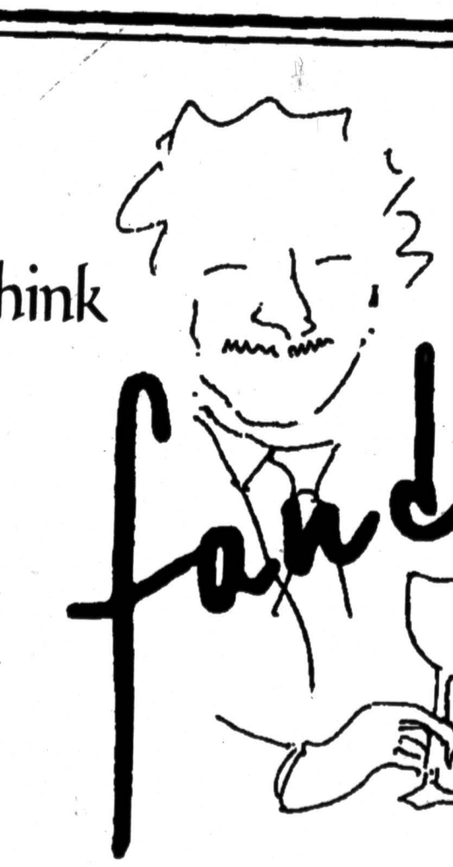
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BOOKSHELF

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and community life in Carmel-by-the-Sea in the '20s. The 60-page softcover book is on sale for $17.95 at the Maritime Museum Store, 5 Custom House Plaza, Monterey.

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AUTHORS **DENNIS Copeland** and **Jeanne McCombs** will sign their recent book, **"Monterey Album: Life by the Bay,"** from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 in the Monterey Public Library lobby, 625 Pacific St. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. For information, call 624-3949.

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RYAN MASTERS and **Megan Lee** will read from their respective works at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at the Thunderbird Bookshop and Café, Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel, under the auspices of the National Writers Union as part of their reading series. Admission is $5.

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THE MONTEREY County Free Libraries Foundation is celebrating its 12th year of funding, and to help make those interested in literacy and education an active part of it, they are suggesting a $12 donation in the name of friends and relatives. Send names and addresses of such friends to: Foundation for Monterey County Free Libraries, 450 Lincoln Ave., Suite 203, Salinas, 93901 with a check covering $12 for each name enclosed. The foundation will inform your friends of your generous donation and also acknowledge receipt of your donation. This is a nice way to say Merry Christmas.

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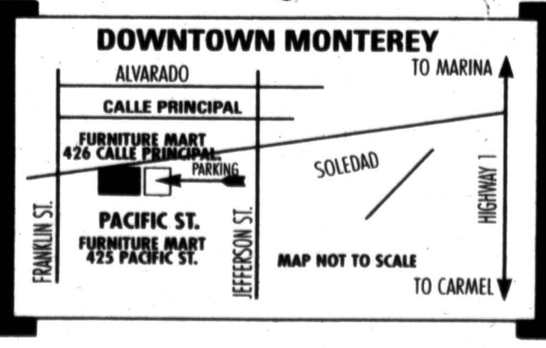
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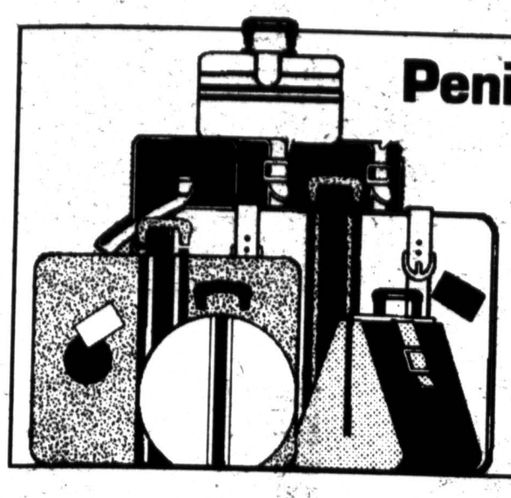
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pist. Donations accepted. Info: 648-3514.

HOLIDAY CHEER AND MUSICAL PERFORMANCES by local youths will be featured during an old fashioned Christmas celebration at the **Carmel Woman's Club**, 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15. Pianist Stacie Little and violinist Noah Freedman, both 13, will perform. Club members will share recipes and holiday tips. Admission is $3, and tea and refreshments follow the program.

THE FOREST THEATER GUILD'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY RECEPTION is open to all and begins 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 at the Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel. Learn about the exciting 2004 season, enjoy wine, hors d'oeuvres and dessert. R.S.V.P. Chris Cromwell at 622-7643 or 601-7643.



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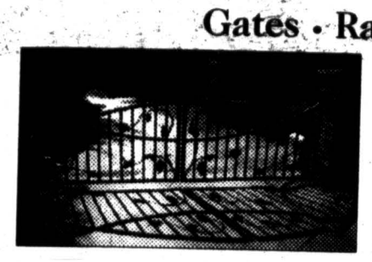
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032455. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **KEAUHOU GARDENS - 12304,** 25760 Partridge Pl., Carmel, Ca 93925. ROBERT H. EVANS, JR., 25760 Partridge Pl., Carmel, Ca 93925. CHERIE F. EVANS, 25760 Partridge Pl., Carmel, Ca 93925. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Nov. 5, 2003. (s) Robert H. Evans, Jr. and Cherie F. Evans. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 5, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 14, 21, 28, Dec. 5, 2003. (PC 1108)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
of MARION JENSEN HARRIS
also known as MARION HARRIS
Case Number MP 16867

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARION JENSEN HARRIS also known as MARION HARRIS.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ROBERT LARRY JENSEN in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ROBERT LARRY JENSEN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on December 19, 2003 at 10:30 a.m., Dept.: Probate, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner SHARON A. ISENHOUR, P.O. Box 2311, 4th & San Carlos Streets, Suite 8, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 625-1170. (s) Sharon A. Isenhour, Attorney for Petitioner.

Publication dates: November 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC1110)

NOTICE OF INTENDED BULK TRANSFER
(Business and Professions Code Section 24073)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TONY VENTURA, whose business address is Westside of Mission Street between 5th and 6th Avenues, Carmel, California 93921 intends to transfer to YASUKO ABE, whose address is P.O. Box 534, Pebble Beach, California 93953, certain property located the Westside of Mission Street between 5th and 6th Avenues, Carmel, California 93921 and described generally as follows: all the trade fixtures, equipment, alcoholic beverage license, inventory and supplies of that certain business known as MIZU SUSHI.

During the three years immediately past, transferors have conducted business under the following name at the following address: MIZU SUSHI, Westside of Mission Street between 5eh and 6eh Avenues, Carmel, California 93921.

The aforementioned transfer will be consummated on or after December 1, 2003, at the office of RONALD A. PARRAVANO, Attorney at Law, 500 Camino El Estero, Suite 200 Monterey, California 93940.

Claims of creditors may be filed with RONALD A. PARRAVANO, Attorney at Law, at the above address.

THIS BULK TRANSFER INCLUDES A LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER. ALL CLAIMS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE DATE ON WHICH THE NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE IS RECEIVED BY ESCROW AGENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

Dated: October__, 2003
YASUKO ABE, Transferee
Publication date: Nov. 14, 21, 28, Dec. 5, 2003. (PC1115).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032436. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PATHWAYS COUNSELING AND CONSULTING SERVICE,** 3855 Via Nona Marie #206, Carmel, CA 93923. DELUNAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC., 37771 Palo Colorado Canyon, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 1998. (s) Eve Delunas. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 3, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2003. (PC 1118)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M67703.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. *Present name:*
EVE NILSON
Proposed name:
EVE DESIREE D'VINCENT

NOTICE OF HEARING: Dec. 19, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Robert O'Farrell
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Nov. 13, 2003.

Publication dates: Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2003. (PC1120)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20030258. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **TIP ELECTRONICS,** 1010 Dolan Road, Castroville, CA 95012. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on Feb. 3, 2003. TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PARTNERS LLC* *Organized in the state of Michigan, 3955 Pinnacle Court, Suite 200, Auburn Hills, MI 48326. This business was conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Patrick H. Callahan, member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 7, 2003. Publication dates: Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2003. (PC1006).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032492. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL RIVER INN,** U.S. Highway 1 at Carmel River Bridge, Carmel, Ca 93922. INVEST WEST FINANCIAL CORP., 1933 Cliff Dr., Suite 1, Santa Barbara, CA 93109. WINTER CONSTRUCTION, 2905 Burton Dr., Cambria, CA 93428. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Sept. 26, 2003. (s) Dirk Winter, owner, Winter Construction. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2003. (PC 1124)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032508. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LIVING BY DESIGN,** Carmelo St. 2nd SW 12th, Carmel, CA 93923. JEREMY ANN ANDERSON, Carmelo St. 2nd SW 12th, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Nov. 15, 2003. (s) Jeremy Anderson. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 13, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2003. (PC 1125)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20032201. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **ARBOR OF IMPERIAL COUNTY,** 344 Salinas Street, Suite 202, Salinas, CA. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on October 2, 2003. ARBOR E&T, LLC, 10140 Linn Station Road, Louisville, KY 40223. This business was conducted by a Limited Liability Company. (s) Mary D. Peters, Assistant Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 3, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2003. (PC1126)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032529. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LEGACY HOME LOANS,** 24571 Silver Cloud Ct., Ste. 101, Monterey, CA 93940. LEGACY REAL ESTATE GROUP, INC., Calif. Corporation, 24571 Silver Cloud Ct., Ste. 101, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Michael D. Millett, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 17, 2003. Publication dates: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2003. (PC 1128)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032424. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MICHAEL E. CHANDLER & ASSOCIATES,** 218 Reindollar Ave. Ste. 7A, Marina, CA 93933. MICHAEL CHANDLER, 25450 Tierra Grande, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 1, 2003. (s) Michael Chandler. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 31, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1201)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In re the Estate of
NILES PRESLEY CHRISTENSEN,
Deceased.
Case No. MP16833

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF NILES PRESLEY CHRISTENSEN

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and mail a copy to WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Trustee of the Niles P. Christensen Revocable Trust Dated September 4, 2002, wherein the decedent was the Settlor, at P.O. Box 805, Carmel, California 93921, within the later of four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 19103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

(s) Kathleen Llewellyn
Attorney for Trustee
Post Office Box 805
Carmel, California 93921

Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2003. (PC1202)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.
To Whom It May Concern:
The Name as the Applicant is:
BUON GIORNO INC
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
Junipero W/S btw 5th & 6th
Carmel, Ca 93921
Type of license:
41 - On-Sale Beer and Wine - Eating Place
Date of Filing Application: Nov. 19, 2003.
Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2003. (PC1203).

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Design Review Board of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, December 17, 2003. The public hearing will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. DS 03-143
SSIC Trust
W/s Forest btwn 7th & Mt. View
Block 84, Lot 9

Consideration of a Design Study (Concept and Final Review) for the conversion of a carport to a garage located in the Residential (R-1) District.

2. DS 02-92
Kevin McGraw
SW corner Camino Real & 13th
Block DD, Lots 1 & 3

Consideration of a Design Study (Concept Review) application for alterations to an existing single family dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) District.

3. DS 03-120
Tony Bhutani
E/s Junipero btwn 2nd & 3rd
Block 26, Lot 6

Consideration of a Design Study (Concept Review) application for alterations for an addition to an existing single family residence located in the Residential (R-1) District.

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Anne Morris
Secretary of said Board
Publication dates: Dec. 5, 2003. (PC1204)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032453. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STONE RESTORATIONS,** 243 17 Mile Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. PETER IGNACIO TURTURICI, 243 17 Mile Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 20, 2003. (s) Peter Turturici. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 5, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1205)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032460. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. FLOORING CITY
2. RUG CITY
52 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. FLOORING FASHION CORPORATION, CALIFORNIA, 52 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: May 23, 2001. (s) X Exec. Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 6, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1206)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032428. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CAFE SERENDIPITY,** 470 Alvarado St., Monterey, CA 93940. ROBERT CHRISTOPHER CASTRO, 749 Parkston Ct., Modesto, CA 95357. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Robert C. Castro. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1207)

EARLY DEADLINES

The Pine Cone office will be CLOSED Thursday & Friday, December 25 & 26 and Thursday, Jan.1, 2004

All Display Ads, Classified, Legal & Calendar items should be turned by:

Thursday, Dec. 18, 5:00PM
(for 12/26/03 issue)
Wednesday, Dec. 24, 5:00PM
(for 1/2/04 issue)

OPINION

Editorial

The mansion's fate, once and for all

WITH DICK Ely's surprising announcement that he'll challenge Sue McCloud for mayor next April, an issue that has been dogging Carmel politics for years could finally be settled.

Flanders Mansion, after all, was the only significant objection Ely expressed to the mayor's agenda over the last two years. In June, he voted to keep the old place while the council majority wanted to sell it. (The sale needed a four-fifths vote to pass). So when the people choose between Ely and McCloud at the ballot box, they'll also be making up their minds about whether Flanders Mansion, which is on the National Register of Historic Places, should be sold to a private buyer for restoration as a home, or turned into a village showplace for the arts.

In 1999, an attractive offer was on the table to turn Flanders into a culinary institute. It was the #1 choice of a committee that looked at dozens of proposals, including a youth hostel, an artist-in-residence program and a venue for poetry readings and similar endeavors. But the city council turned the culinary institute down flat because of neighbors' objections.

In Dec. 1999, the Flanders Foundation presented the city council with its plan for continued public ownership of the historic home — but a petition signed by 47 nearby residents objecting to any public use carried the day. The council voted to sell Flanders.

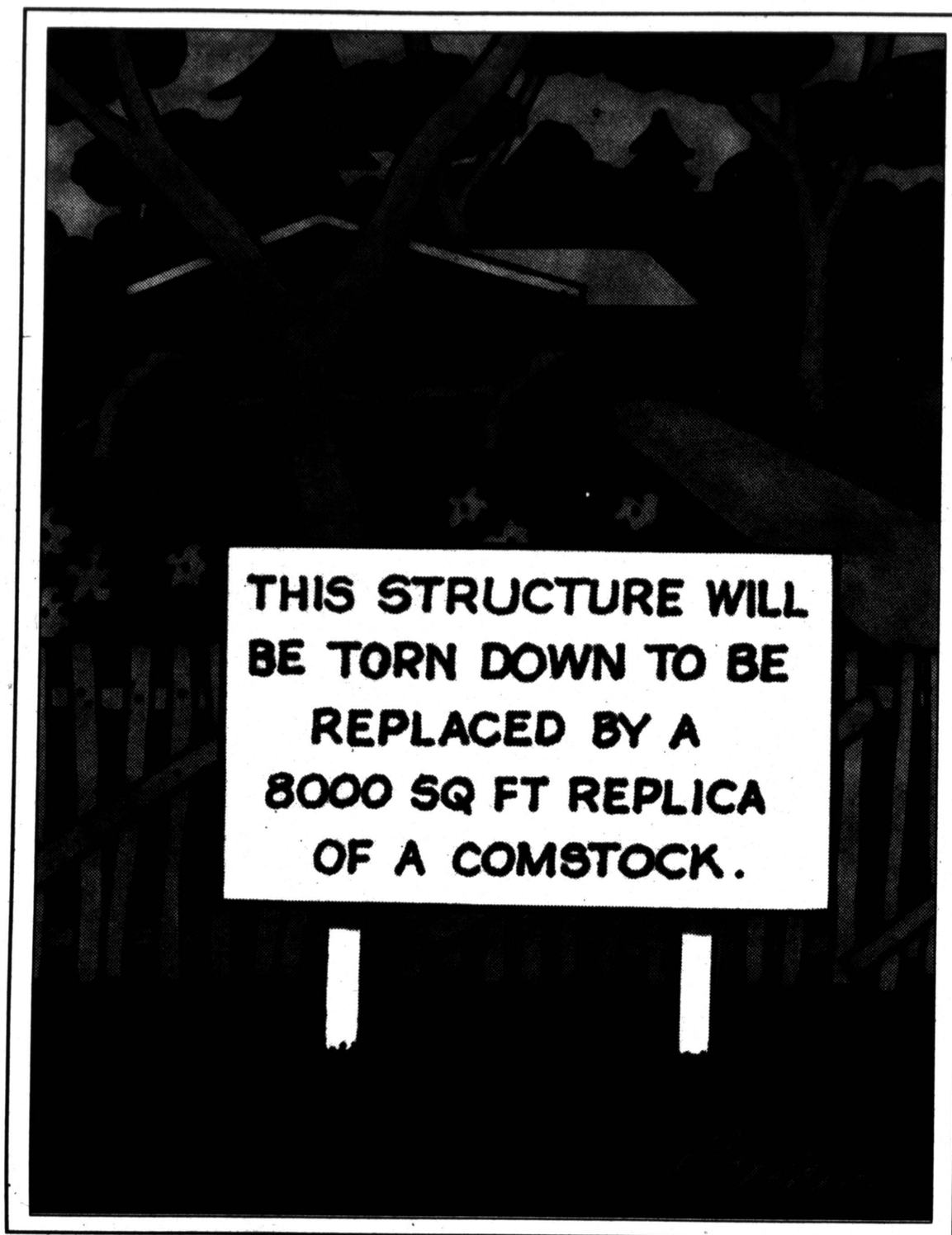
Once the mansion was split off from the surrounding open space, it was all ready to be conveyed to the highest bidder. But Ely's decision to oppose the sale brought that idea to a halt.

"To me, it would be unconscionable to sell resources to start paying salaries and maintenance fees," Ely said at the time.

McCloud, on the other hand, said the money locked up in Flanders Mansion — two years ago, it was said to be worth up to $5 million — could be better used renovating the seismically unsound fire station and making improvements to Forest Theater and the Scout House.

This newspaper has long advocated selling Flanders Mansion because it is simply unsuitable for a public facility. But the voters' will is really all that matters. So let McCloud and Ely make their views on Flanders Mansion a key part of their campaigns. And when the election results are in, we'll know where the people stand.

BATES



Letters to the Editor

'Young, cool, rude and futureless'

Dear Editor,

Regarding the six Carmel High School students who were filming their own version of "Jackass: The Movie," I would say the story is a sign of the loathsome times in which we rear children so horribly that many of them behave as cowardly predators.

How remarkable that a healthy and strong teenager with all the advantages provided to those who live in a paradise like Carmel would feel compelled to demonstrate his virility by punching an innocent, defenseless 65-year-old man. What a truly pathetic, sickening and craven deed.

Parents are complicit in such cowardly acts because any teen who lacks the humanity, compassion and decency to disrespect elders to this degree could have been raised by wolves with just as much success.

Mischief by teens can be excused owing to their youthful exuberance and shallowness, but violence is a shameful perversity that stains the parents with guilt as deeply as the perpetrator of the crime.

Let me guess: This kid has been a dull-eyed bully from his first day in school and, now approaching adulthood, he still attempts to garner attention and peer approval by being a cruel and idiotic jackass. How great it must be to be young, cool, rude and futureless.

Ron Russell, *Pacific Grove*

Track team's triumph

Dear Editor,

I was thrilled to learn last weekend that Carmel High School's boys' cross country team had won the state championship and that the girls' team had finished in good standing.

I met John Ables (aka: The Coach) in 1984, soon after moving with my family to Carmel. We enrolled our 5-year-old daughter in the local YMCA Youth Soccer program and, as luck would have it, John was her first coach.

It was immediately apparent that John's first consideration as a coach was the welfare of the children. This was very evident the day he welcomed a child with AIDS onto his team as an Honorary Team Member when no other coach would.

Through his experience as a youth coach, John began to recognize his coaching gift. He volunteered as an assistant football coach and freshman basketball coach at Carmel High School and his reputation as a special kind of coach began to grow. John's unique and positive message never changes, whether his teams are winning or losing.

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LETTERS

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John promotes equality, commitment, academic achievement and, most importantly, respect for others. He genuinely loves kids, devoting as much of his time to the least talented as he does to the most talented.

John was offered a great opportunity in 1992 to become the head track-and-field and cross-country coach at Carmel High. Both programs had experienced little success and had deteriorated to five cross-country runners and 20 track-and-field athletes. This was a great opportunity for John, a chance to share his principles in a sport which could accommodate a great number of athletes.

Because the facilities were inadequate, John immediately began to raise the seed money to build an all-weather track for the kids. Today, with the new track complete, the cross-country and the track-and-field programs are among the most successful athletic programs at Carmel High School, both in terms of championships (boys and girls) and student participation. With a total enrolled student population of approximately 600, the 2003 cross-country team had 50 runners and next year the 2004 track-and-field team will likely field over 140 athletes.

The kids come out in droves for John's teams because they experience a sense of belonging, where every athlete is important.

The message John sends is pure and honest when teaching the kids about what is important in life and, in turn, they respond by performing at a level not seen in many athletic programs. His character and exemplary leadership skills are personified in all that he does.

In many ways, he defines what a coach is supposed to be. He is a teacher, one who truly loves the athletes on his team and whose athletes love him.

As someone who has watched the Carmel High cross-country and track program grow and prosper, I could not be happier for the school, the athletes and the coaches.

Bill Dorey, *Carmel*

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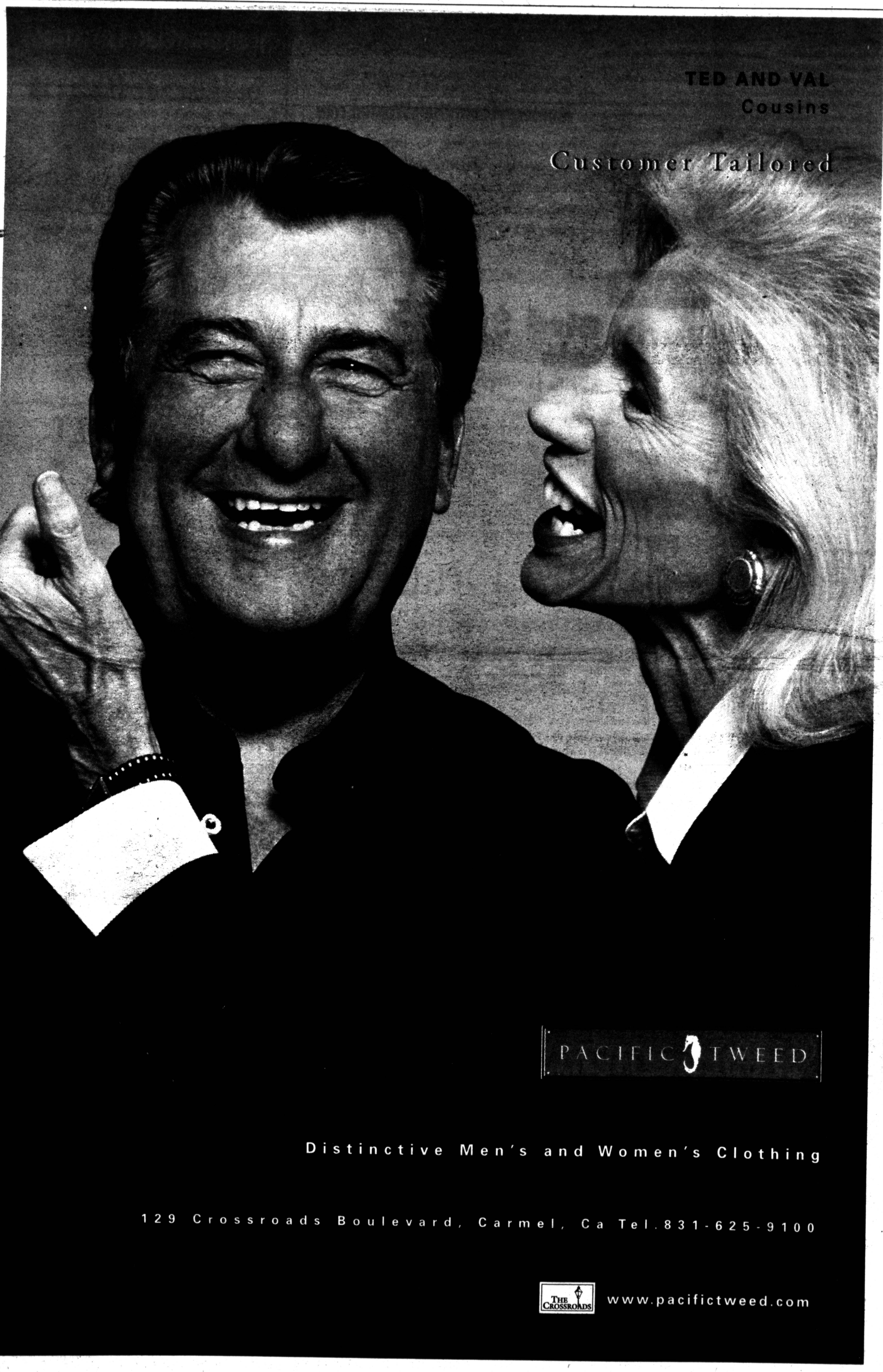
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Inside:

- State budget crisis slows Highlands sewer project







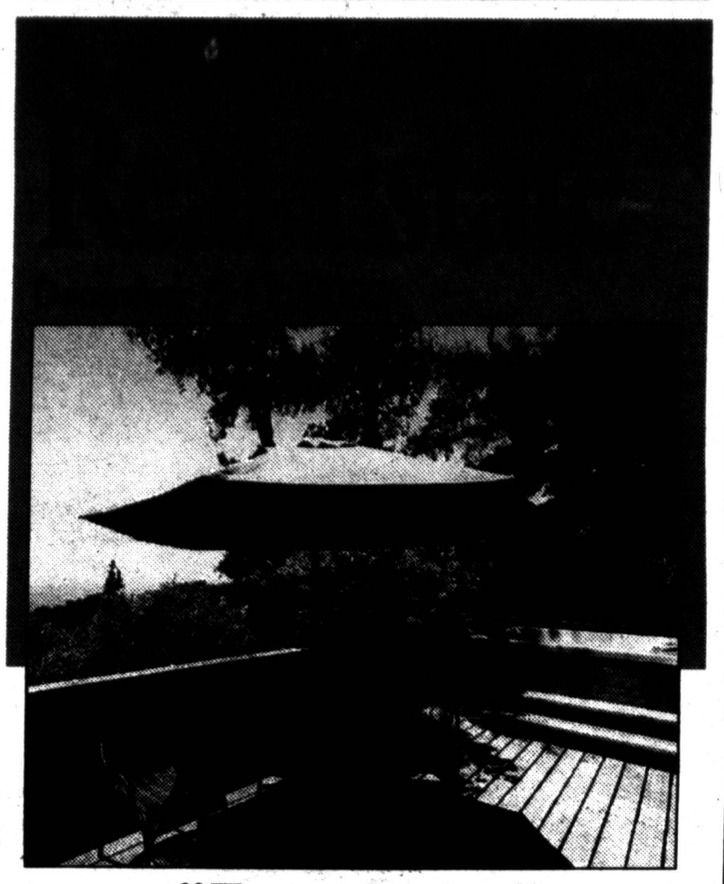
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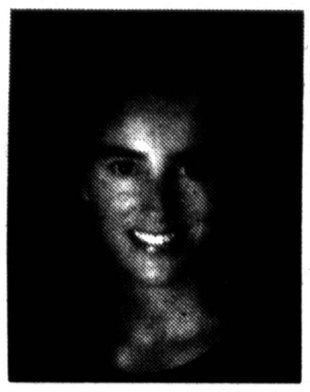
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22 Paso Del Rio $1,033,000
Patricia Rae Moran to Florence Belmondo Waters
18671 Cachagua Rd $272,500
18671 Cachagua LP to Anthony T Constanza
55 La Rancheria Rd $818,000
Jason V Dubets to Katherina Macgown
31 De Los Helechos $525,000
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Ivan Frank & Mildred Comelli to James K & Ginger L Siltman

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4008 Sunridge Rd $1,425,000
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3124 Stevenson Dr $800,000
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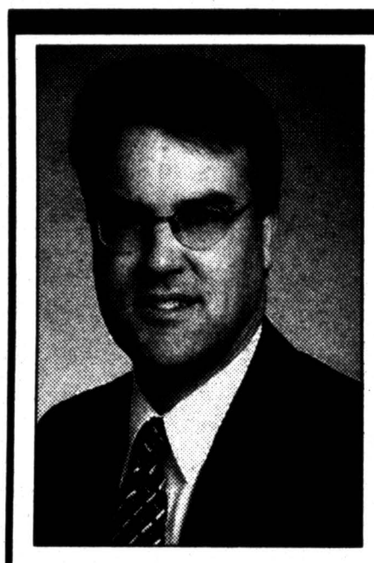


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The question before us today is: Why is there a dot over the "j"? We are fully adjusted to dotting "i's" and crossing "t's", but this exotic decoration of the "j" is a subject that has puzzled us for years. In the course of our studies. We have accounted for the umlaut over the "u", l'accent grave and breve over other vowels; but not until our researchers led us to Carmel did we discover the secret of the dot over the "j". It turns out that a lady named JUANITA JIMANEZ, writing a letter to a determined suitor in 1916 while eating a pizza (which was then called "tomato pie"), fell into this grammatic convention entirely by accident. While daintily wiping her mouth, she dropped a bit of anchovie which chanced to fall over the "j" in "rejected". All efforts to remove the stain were unavailing. She started again with innocuous phrases like "drop dead, "no way" and "shove it." But in emphasizing these sentiments, she wrote "just to make sure your judgement is clear...," and sure enough, drops of anchovie appeared on each "j." Her parish priest said, "Don't worry about it; it's just a jaunty jargon, a jolt, a jest, a jingle intended to jilt a jerk." So she put it down as a jocular joke, and we had a dot over the "j." By the way, JUANITA JIMANEZ lived on Junipero, and she passed away 10 years ago last January. Or was it June? Maybe July.

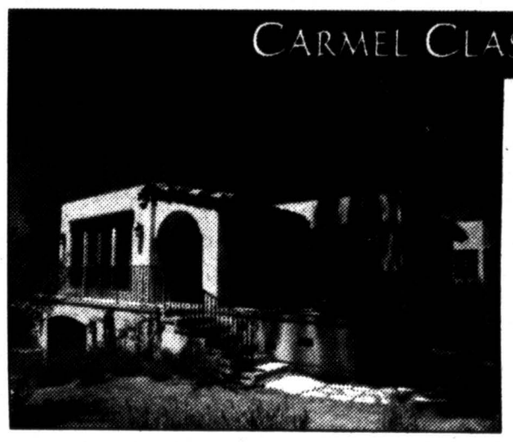
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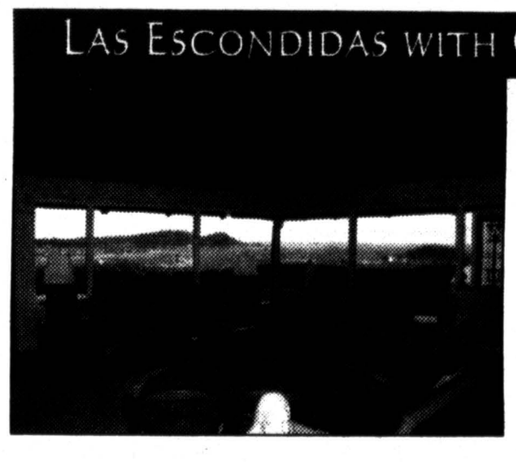
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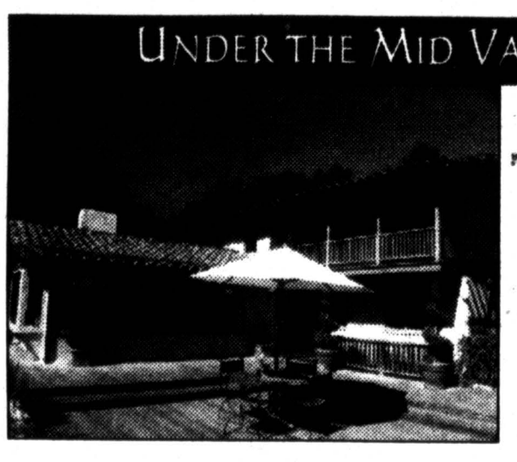
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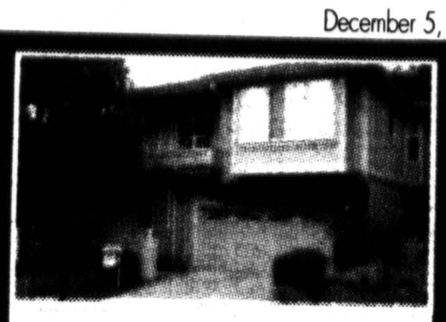
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CARMEL – Expansive Point Lobos, mountain and Fish Ranch views from this spacious three bedroom, three and one half bath Hatton Fields beauty. Finished to perfection, inside and out, the home offers a casually elegant style of living with soaring wood ceilings, walls of glass, skylights and a gated entry to gardens and pathways leading to a private stone patio and firepit.

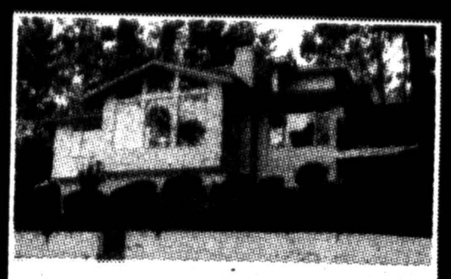
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CARMEL VALLEY – Immaculate three bedroom, three bath Carmel Valley Ranch home located on a quiet cul-de-sac above the Ranch. The floor plan is versatile with a separate dining room, living room with fireplace, some hardwood floors, extra storage, workshop and a two-car garage. Golf course living with mountain views from this stunning home. Priced to sell!

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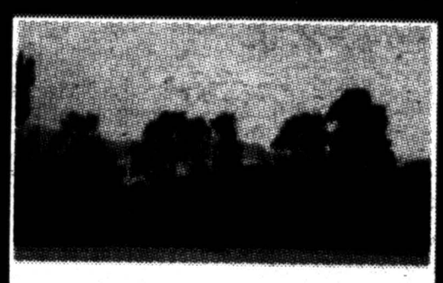
MONTEREY – This newly remodeled three bedroom, three bath home shines with outstanding colors and features including a beautiful gourmet kitchen ideal for entertaining. Very open floor plan with lots of natural light, hardwood floors, fireplace, and a two-car garage all on a quiet location in upper Skyline Forest.

$1,235,000 **646-2120**



PEBBLE BEACH –A classic Mediterranean, built in the 1920's as one of the original Country Club estate homes, with all the unspoiled charm and character associated with that era. A three bedroom, two and one half bath home, formal dining room and a stunning living room with open beam ceiling, hardwood floors and fireplace with mantel. Beautiful patios, front and rear, and flowering gardens bordering a lush lawn.

$1,650,000 **624-6482**



PEBBLE BEACH –In a prime estate location within walking distance to The Lodge at Pebble Beach is this classic residence waiting to be a grand new home. The main house features four bedrooms and four baths plus a guest house. This nearly one-acre site enjoys filtered views of Point Lobos and Carmel Bay and is directly across from the Peter Hay golf course.

$2,495,000 **624-0136**

TUSCAN VILLA AT MONTERRA



MONTEREY/ SALINAS HWY

This one year old Tuscan villa at Monterra affords sweeping views which include the Club House at Tehama, rolling oak-studded hills and pine forests. This four bedroom, four full bath home features attention to detail – beveled stone floors with radiant heat, hand-finished pecan flooring, media room, wine cellar and hand-made cabinetry throughout, plus numerous top-of-the-line amenities.

$3,995,000 **646-2120**

A COZY AND WOODSY ESCAPE



CARMEL

Nestled on a large, quiet wooded lot in the prestigious Hatton Fields area of Carmel is this three bedrooms and three baths, with separate guest quarters. Large living room with fireplace and cozy den with fireplace. Lots of possibilities here. Move-in condition now. Possible upgrade or remodel later. Ample water credits. An excellent value!

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MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY – Rare opportunity to own this multi-residential San Benancio property. Remodeled to perfection, this duplex offers two private, two bedroom units approx. 850 sq. ft. with separate driveways, single car garage, deck, patio, fenced and landscaped. Rent one and live in the other.... great investment!

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CARMEL VALLEY – This pleasant, light and bright Club Place end unit is conveniently located near the pool, tennis facility, and golf clubhouse and enjoys views of the 8th fairway from most major rooms. Some of the many amenities in this two bedroom, two bath home include fireplaces in the living room and spacious master suite, custom blinds, a private front entrance and an adjacent two car garage.

$799,000 ***659-2267***



CARMEL – Extensively remodeled three bedroom, three bath, 2900 sq. ft. home with three car garage has new windows and roof, updated kitchen and baths, plus many built-ins and custom features. Professionally designed gardens with fruit trees, hot tub and built-in barbecue area. Carmel stone walls, and used-brick walkway made from demolished Spreckles building bricks! Sunny, convenient, yet private location.

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MONTEREY – Feel at home in this well-kept three bedroom, two bath home in a convenient New Monterey location close to shopping, restaurants, DLI and Cannery Row. Amenities include deluxe custom cabinets in the den, new windows and coverings, fireplace insert in the living room, outdoor spa and a wonderfully secluded patio garden off the master bedroom.

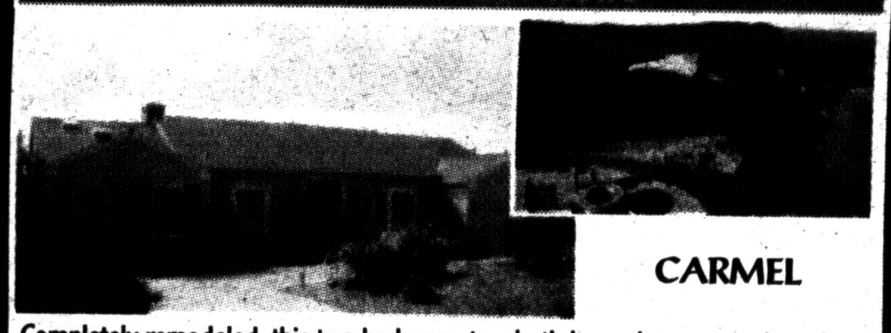
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CARMEL – Located in the most desired southwest area of Carmel-by-the-Sea finds this true Carmel Cottage originally constructed in 1940 by Hugh Comstock. Enjoy ocean views and sounds of the surf from this well maintained three bedroom, two bath home set back on the property for maximum privacy. First floor bedroom opens to a delightful garden patio. Just one short block to beach.

$1,900,000 **624-6482**

SWEEPING OCEAN VIEWS



CARMEL

Completely remodeled, this two bedroom, two bath home has ocean views from the Meadows to Point Lobos. Features include a state-of-the-art gourmet kitchen with marble countertops and custom wood cabinets, baths with Habersham countertops and heated floors. Plus new furnace, new wiring and plumbing! The outdoor brick patio and gas firepit are perfect for entertaining.

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CARMEL MID-VALLEY WITH SPECTACULAR VIEWS



CAMEL VALLEY

Sparkling clean single-level home with some of the most spectacular views in the valley. Enjoy perfect year round weather from the spacious view decks. Light and bright interior features four bedrooms, two baths, wet bar, large upgraded kitchen with gas range. New carpet and paint make this move in condition home perfect for you. Landscaped yards.

$899,000 **659-2267**



CARMEL – This charming two bedroom, two bath Carmel cottage is peacefully secluded on a 6,860 sq. ft. wooded lot and surrounded by flower gardens. Features include open beamed ceilings, cozy fireplace, dining room with French doors overlooking a private courtyard with outdoor fireplace and fountain. Plus special custom touches throughout. Just a short stroll to beach. Extra water credits available for expansion.

$1,695,000 **624-6482**



PACIFIC GROVE – Located in a gated community with a lake and tennis court. This light-filled lakeside townhome has two bedrooms plus an office/library (or three bedrooms), two and one half baths, and an attached two car garage. Professionally remodeled with crown molding, tile and hardwood floors, tile patio, new appliances and much more.

$595,000 **646-2120**



CARMEL VALLEY – This property is a working boarding and training stable consisting of two rings, outside stalls, an 18 stall barn, wash area, locker room, office/lounge and a full bath. Also includes a three bedroom, two bath home. All located in a quiet country setting in the beautiful Jacks Peak area with access to extensive riding trails, plus expansive views. Current Use Permit allows for 35 horses.

$1,995,000 **659-2267**



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Loans sought as Highlands sewer project moves ahead

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE STATE is out of money to lend and won't have any until late next year, but the Carmel Area Wastewater District will still seek Sacramento's help in constructing a new sewer line to the Highlands, the board decided unanimously last month. Wanting the work done as soon as possible, however, the sewer district will also shop for another loan.

"We had been assured the State Water Resources Control Board was going to give us a loan for this project," CAWD General Manager Ray von Dohren said. "The problem is the state has over-allocated its funds and won't have any revolving loan funds available until next October."

The project, which will ultimately be paid for by the 11-home Highlands Sanitary Association, the Highlands Inn and the Tickle Pink Inn, will eliminate two sewage outfalls at Wildcat Cove, according to von Dohren, and reroute the waste to the treatment plant adjacent to the Carmel River.

"One of the existing discharges is bad news, and the Highlands Inn discharge is right next to a state-designated 'area of special biological significance,' so it's a good environmental project and good for the district," he said.

Eager to get under way rather than wait for state money to finance the $2.2 million project, von Dohren also suggested applying for a readily available loan at a slightly higher interest rate. While CAWD will borrow the money, the HSA and the two inns will pay the loan back via the district.

As backup, the board voted Nov. 20 to keep its request for a state loan in force, just in case some revolving fund money is suddenly available.

"If something should happen and funds become available — and things happen all the time — we will be first in line," he said. "It's still the most attractive loan."

With the design fully paid for and some of the pipeline already laid in the trench — to save money, it was installed when a sewer system was constructed at Pt. Lobos last year — a readily available loan could mean construction this spring, according to von Dohren.

Caltrans, the county and the coastal commission must also sign off on the project after they, and several other agencies, review it.

"This is a sensitive issue for the county, which is concerned about growth. I've talked to a lot of people interested in having the area served [with sewers] down there, but the county wants to make sure it would only serve those three parties and not everybody else," he said. "So that's the way it's designed, and if we ever want more connections, we would have to put a whole new pipeline in to serve them, because this one won't be big enough."

Von Dohren expressed dismay that the county purposely limits sewer infrastructure as a way to block growth.

The board also voted Nov. 20 to request the Local Agency Formation Commission redraw the district's sphere of influence to include the 19-acre portion of Carmel Highlands containing 11 homes, a few vacant properties and the two inns.

"We can't serve them until they're annexed," von Dohren said.

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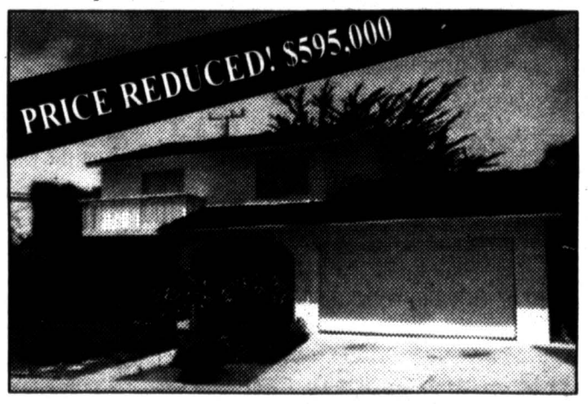
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Holidays may be best time to sell a home

By RITA LEWIS

"CHESTNUTS ROASTING on an open fire, Jack Frost nipping at your nose, yuletide carols being sung by a choir...." The cozy image of the holidays brings to mind a lot of things, but selling your home usually isn't one of them. Maybe it should be.



Rita Lewis

As strange as it may seem, the holiday season and wintertime may in fact be one of the best times of year to sell your home. This may be particularly true this year for a number of reasons. While pent-up demand remains strong in the Northern California housing market, the inventory of available homes has dropped significantly. If you're selling your home now, this means less competition from other listings. Add to that continued record low interest rates driving buyers, and you have the seasonal ingredients for a strong seller's market.

Of course, all this flies in the face of conventional wisdom. Most people figure the housing market must be as cold as a December night this time of year. That's only partially correct. Listings are indeed lower — typically down about 30 percent or so from the height of the summer market. But that's what makes this a smart time to sell if you're a savvy homeowner. The pendulum swings toward a seller's market over the holidays when there is less inventory to choose from.

Most sellers list their homes in the spring, summer and early fall before the weather turns cold. They figure that's when people want to buy. But that means that during the warm months, there are many more listings competing with your home for a fixed number of buyers. It doesn't take an economist to figure out that when supply is up and competition is strong, it's not necessarily the best news for sellers. But during the holiday season, there is little competition from other sellers. You've got the buyers virtually to yourself.

Another benefit of listing this time of year is that people who are out shopping for homes over the holidays are usually highly motivated buyers. Why would someone buy now? There are a number of reasons why people are out shopping the housing market instead of the department stores this time of year — a job transfer, moving up from a smaller house, an attempt to purchase before year end for tax purposes, or a desire to lock in low rates. But the end result is that you might find the right buyer for your home without having to compete with another home down the street.

Low mortgage rates certainly have been driving the market and that's likely to continue over the holidays. Rates remain at historically low levels, which means buyers can afford more home for their money. As of early December, the national average for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages hovered at about 5 percent while 30-year fixed-rate mortgages were about 5.7 percent. The Federal Reserve Board has already indicated interest rates may start inching up next year, so it behooves buyers to take advantage of these low rates while they're still around.

While it's hard to quantify in dollars and cents to the seller, homes just look better and, well, homey this time of year. You may have already cleaned up your home because you're planning to have guests during the holidays. And of course, you'll be doing a lot of cooking. Let's face it, your home will look good and smell great. That makes it easy for a buyer to picture himself living there with his own family coming together for dinner in the dining room, opening presents in front of a crackling fire and having parties with friends in the family room. The image certainly helps the marketing effort.

Selling a home during the holiday season doesn't have to be an inconvenience. A real estate agent can help make it easier for you this time of year. While you're busy with holiday shopping, family get-togethers and other activities, your agent can handle all of the marketing, open houses and interaction with buyers so you can concentrate on enjoying this special time of year.

So while visions of sugar plums dance in your head, don't forget that the holidays can be a great time to sell your home. It may just be the best gift you give yourself this year.

Rita Lewis, vice president and managing broker of Coldwell Banker on the Monterey Peninsula, provides the above tips. A 24-year real estate veteran, Rita oversees a talented team of real estate professionals with offices in Carmel, Pacific Grove and Pebble Beach. She can be reached at (831) 626-2202 or by e-mail at rlewis@cbnorcal.com.

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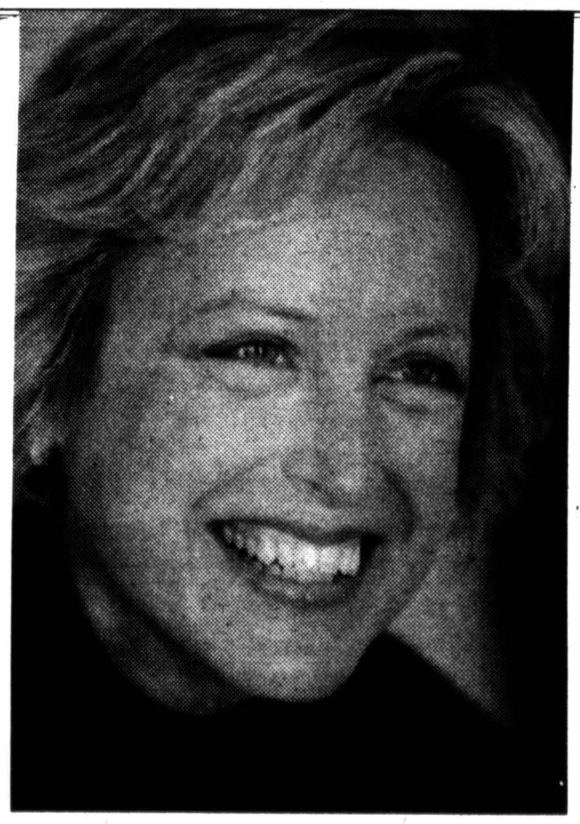
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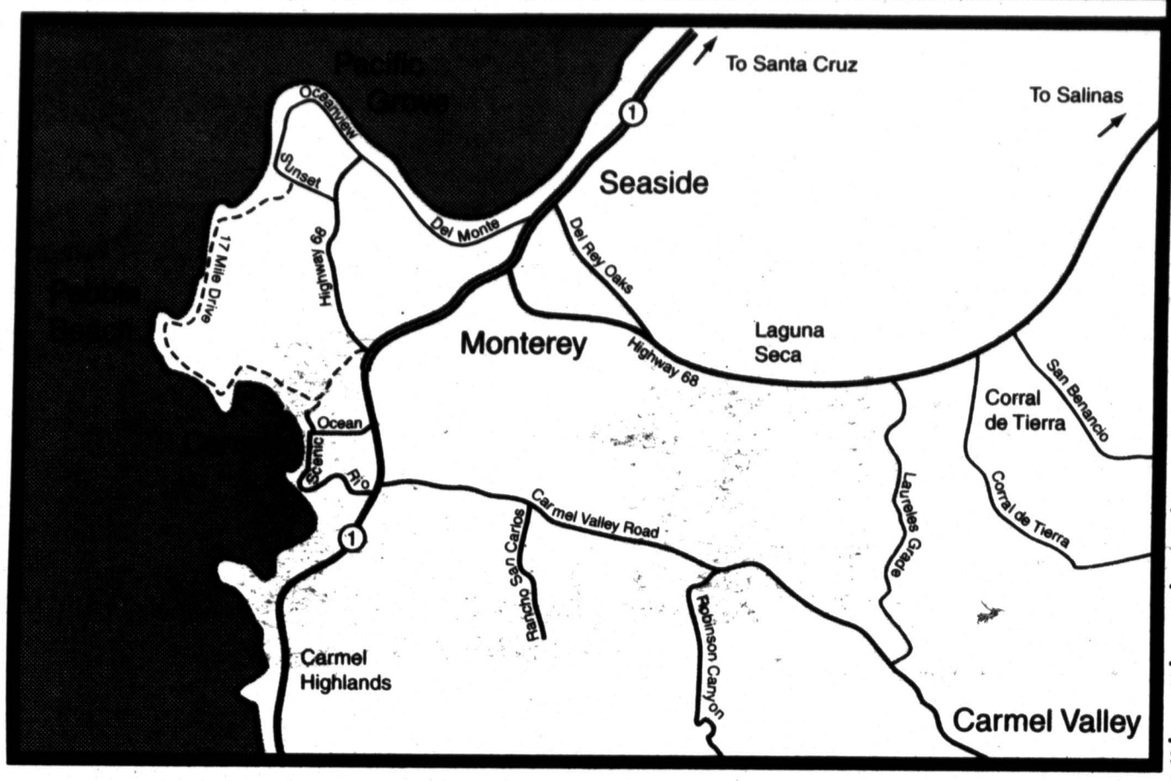
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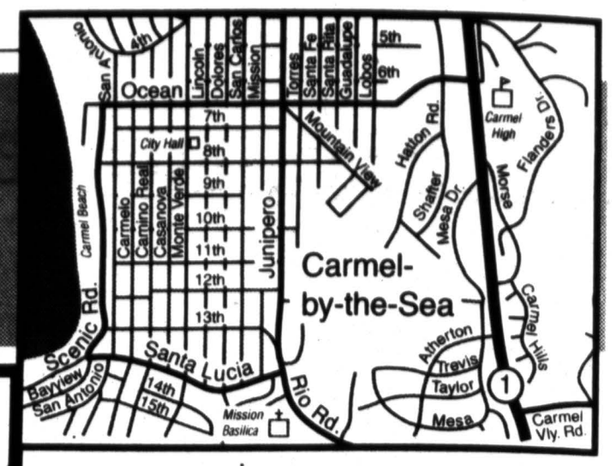
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$835,000 2bd 2ba+den — Sa Su 1:30-4
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$849,900 Su 1-4 — 4bd 2.5ba
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$995,000 4bd 2.5ba — Su 1-3
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Burchell House Properties — 624-6461

$1,075,000 3bd 2ba — Sa 1-3
3540 Mesa Court — Carmel
Fouratt-Simmons Realty — 624-3829

$1,150,000 3bd 3ba — Sa Su 1-4
25864 Hatton Rd — Carmel
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$1,195,000 Su 1-4 — 4bd 4ba
3382 Lazarro Drive — Carmel
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$1,270,000 4bd 3ba — Sa Su 1-4
24670 Handley Dr. — Carmel
John Saar Properties — 917-2770

$1,275,000 3bd 2ba — Su 1-4
3549 Lazarro — Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$1,295,000 Su 1-4 — 3bd 2.5ba
26020 Atherton Drive — Carmel
Prudential California Realty — 620-1995

$1,349,000 4bd 2ba — Sa Su 2-4
24920 Valley Way — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-0136

$1,675,000 4bd 3ba — Sa 1-4
24712 Dolores — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$1,749,000 2bd 2ba — Sa 3-4:30
Vizcaino 5SW of Mt. View — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2224

$1,895,000 3bd 3ba — Sa 1-3
Casanova 2SE of Ocean — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

$1,949,000 2bd 2ba — Sa 1-3
Dolores 3NW of 9th — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2223

$1,950,000 4bd 3ba — Sa Su 1-4
SE Cor Monte Verde & 12th Ave — Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$1,988,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa Su 2-4
Lincoln 2 SW of 12th — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,150,000 3bd 3ba — Su 1:30-3:30
2693 14th Avenue — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,195,000 3bd 3ba — Sa Su 2-4
NW Cor SantaLucia/CaminoReal — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,675,000 3ba 3.5ba — Su 1-4
2730 Santa Lucia — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

$2,695,000 3bd 3ba — Sa 2-4 Su 1-3
26416 Carmelo — Carmel
John Saar Properties — 625-0500

$2,695,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa 1-3
Lincoln & 13th NE Cor — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

$3,200,000 2bd 2ba — Sa 12-3 Su 2-4:30
2784 Pradera — Carmel
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$3,395,000 3bd 3ba — Sa Su 1-4
NE CorMonteVerde&SantaLucia — Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$3,750,000 3bd 4.5ba+gst hs — Sa 1-3
2998 Franciscan Way — Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2221

$3,950,000 3bd 3.5ba — Su 1-4
26152 Ladera — Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$4,200,000 3bd 2ba — Sa 1-3
Scenic Rd at Santa Lucia — Carmel
Burchell House Properties — 624-6461

$5,950,000 3bd 3ba — Sa Su 2-4
Cor Scenic and 10th — Carmel
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CARMEL HIGHLANDS

$2,895,000 3bd 3.5ba — Sa Su 1-4
30778 San Remo Rd — Crml Highland
Burchell House Properties — 624-6461

$1,999,950 3bd 3.5ba — Sa 2-4
16 Mal Paso Road — Crml Highlands
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,250,000 4bd 4ba — Sa2:30-4:30 Su2-4
129 Carmel Riviera — Crml Highlands
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,275,000 3bd 2.5+ba — Su 12-3
137 Boyd Way — Crml Highlands
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

$2,695,000 5bd 4+ba — Sa Su 1-4
125 Carmel Riviera — Crml Highlands
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$3,250,000 4bd 4+ba — Su 1-3:30
21 Mentone — Crml Highlands
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$3,600,000 3bd 4ba — Su 12-3
144 San Remo — Crml Highlands
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$4,199,000 3bd 2.5ba — Su 2:30-4
111 Yankee Point — Crml Highlands
The Mitchell Group — 624-6482

CARMEL VALLEY

$249,500 1bd 1ba — Su 1-3
#250 Hacienda Carmel — Carmel Valley
Fouratt-Simmons Realty — 624-3829

$519,000 3bd 2ba — Su 12-3
14 Laguna Robles — Carmel Valley
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$799,000 3bd 3ba — Sa 2-4
89 Ford Road — Carmel Valley
John Saar Properties — 625-0500

$865,000 2bd 2ba — Su 1:30-4
9602 Buckeye Court — Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$895,000 3bd 2ba — Su 1-3
27315 Schulte Rd — Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2221

$899,000 4bd 2ba — Su 12:30-2
25731 Tierra Grande Drive — Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group — 659-2267

$975,000 3bd 1ba — Sa Su 1:30-3:30
8630 Carmel Valley Rd — Carmel Valley
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$1,090,000 4bd 3ba — Su 1-3
One Scarlett Rd — Carmel Valley
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$1,299,000 2bd 2ba — Su 1-3
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7936 W Carmel Valley Rd — Carmel Valley
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The Mitchell Group — 624-0136

$2,995,000 Su 2-4 — 6bd 4ba
9301 Holt Road — Carmel Valley
Prudential California Realty — 622-3445

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$589,000 3bd 2ba — Su 1:30-3:30
21 Quendale — Del Rey Oaks
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

MONTEREY

$395,000 1bd 1ba — Sa 1:30-4
125 Surf Way #318 — Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$495,900 3bd 1.5ba — Sa 1-4
919 Casanova — Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$559,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa 11-1
1360 Josselyn Cyn #11 — Monterey
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

$569,000 3bd 2ba — Su 2:30-3:30
682 Taylor Street — Monterey
The Mitchell Group — 646-2120

$629,000 2bd 2.5ba — Su 2-4
7 Via Joaquin — Monterey
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2222

$925,000 3bd 2ba — Sa 2-4
3 Abinante Way — Monterey
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2223

$1,235,000 3bd 3ba — Sa Su 1-3
11 Victoria Vale — Monterey
The Mitchell Group — 646-2120

MTRY./SALINAS HWY.

$495,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa 12-3
21850 Stonegate — Mtry/Slns Hwy
Alain Pinel Realtors — 622-1040

$695,000 3bd 3ba — Su 12-3
14182 Reservation Road — Mtry/Slns Hwy
The Mitchell Group — 659-2267

$765,000 2bd 2ba — Su 2-4
212 Pine Cyn — Mtry/Slns Hwy
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$852,500 3bd 2.5ba — Su 1-3
25401 Markham Lane — Mtry/Slns Hwy
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$884,000 Su 12-4 — 3bd 4ba
10855 Saddle Road — Mtry/Slns Hwy
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$985,000 5bd 3+ba — Sa 2-4
22210 Tara Ct. — Mtry/Slns Hwy
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$1,195,000 4bd 3ba — Sa 2-4
13293 Corte Lindo — Mtry/Slns Hwy
The Mitchell Group — 622-1040

$1,595,000 Su12-4 — 3bd 4ba
25381 Quail Summit — Mtry/Slns Hwy
Prudential California Realty — 649-1165

$1,629,000 Su 12-4 — 4bd 2.5ba
25681 Whip Road — Mtry/Slns Hwy
Prudential California Realty — 649-1165

$2,650,000 Su 1-4 — 5bd 4ba
318 Pasadera Court — Mtry/Slns Hwy
Prudential California Realty — 624-9043

$2,750,000 4bd 4.5ba — Su 1-3
2 Estate Dr — Mtry/Slns Hwy
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2223

$2,950,000 4bd 4+ba — Sa 1-3
108 Via Del Milagro-**rain cancels** — Mtry/Slns Hwy
The Mitchell Group — 659-2267

$3,450,000 Su 1-4 — 5bd 4ba
603 Belavida — Mtry/Slns Hwy
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PACIFIC GROVE

$695,000 2bd 1ba — Sa 1-3
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$719,000 3bd 2.5ba — Su 1-3
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Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2226

$725,000 2bd 1ba — Sa Su 1-4
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$745,000 2bd 1ba — Sa 1-4 Su 2-4
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$775,000 3bd 2ba — Sa Su 2-4
607 Carmel Ave — Pacific Grove
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$1,295,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa Su 12-3
115 Monterey Ave — Pacific Grove
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PEBBLE BEACH

$975,000 3bd 2ba — Sa Su 1-3
3168 Crest Rd — Pebble Beach
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$995,000 3bd 2.5ba — Sa Su 2-4
3041 Strawberry Hill Rd — Pebble Beach
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$1,395,000 3bd 2ba — Sa 1-4 Su 1-3
3129 Middle Ranch — Pebble Beach
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$2,798,000 5bd 4+ba — Su 1-4
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$2,890,000 3bd 3.5ba — Sa Su 2-4
77 Spanish Bay Cir — Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte — 626-2221

$3,100,000 6+bd 4+ba — Sa 12-2
1579 Griffin Road — Pebble Beach
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$3,495,000 4bd 3.5ba — Sa Su 1-4
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$4,995,000 4bd 4ba — Su 2-4
1525 Viscaino Rd — Pebble Beach
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4118 Pine Meadows Way — Pebble Beach
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SALINAS

$499,000 3bd 2ba — Sa Su 1-4
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SEASIDE

$429,000 3bd 2ba — Su 11-1
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POLICE LOG

From page 4A

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Neighbor reported the home across the street had a light on upstairs which is not usually on. The residence is a vacation home and the owner visits sporadically. Neighbor had a key and the inside was checked. There were no problems and no light was on. It was discovered the light was a reflection.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female was on her way to Carmel from home when her ex-boyfriend began to follow her in his car. She called CHP on her cell phone but there was no available officer in the area. He continued to follow her, tailgating and flashing his high beams. He then drove alongside her before cutting her off and periodically applying his brakes. He continued to follow her to Carpenter and Serra, where she lost sight of him after he turned onto Serra. She said he didn't try to run her off the road or threaten her. Area check met with negative results. She said she made a stalking report with Salinas P.D. earlier in the day and would speak with a Salinas officer about this incident. She left the city without any further sightings of him or his vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers contacted a subject whose friend had kicked over some trash cans along Ocean Avenue and left before officers could contact him. Subject agreed to pick up the trash.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CFD requested assistance from CPD units for traffic control and possible evacuation of residences near Camino Real and Santa Lucia after Roto Rooter employees accidentally severed a natural gas line while performing maintenance. Homes were not evacuated after it was determined the gas leak had been immediately contained and repaired by a PG&E unit in the area.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported her husband left the house at 1600 hours and failed to return. She stated he is ill and may be sitting inside his vehicle, needing assistance. He had planned to go to Longs and Safeway at the Crossroads. He was located and found to be shopping and in good spirits. She was contacted and advised he would be coming home soon.

Carmel area: Burglary of a Flanders Drive residence.

Carmel area: Burglary of a Carmel Rancho Boulevard business. Entry gained through a smashed window in the back of a mortgage company. Four laptop computers left in plain view were taken.

Carmel area: Burglary at San Antonio Avenue and Santa Lucia.

Carmel area: Theft from a vehicle parked at a South Carmel Hills Drive residence.

Big Sur: Person missing from an area on Highway 1 48 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line. A vehicle belonging to a female reported missing from Orinda was found parked along the roadway. A search was conducted for the female, who was reported to be suicidal.

Carmel area: Lost/found/missing property report taken at the community field office in the Crossroads shopping center.

Carmel area: Past-tense fraud at a Crossroads business.

Carmel area: Burglary of a Morse Drive residence.

Pebble Beach: Assisted another agency at a Sloat Road residence.

Carmel area: Battery on Carmel Rancho Boulevard occurred 15 minutes ago.

Big Sur: Information taken at Saint Francis Church.

Carmel Valley: Audible burglary alarm outside a Sleepy Hollow Drive residence.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

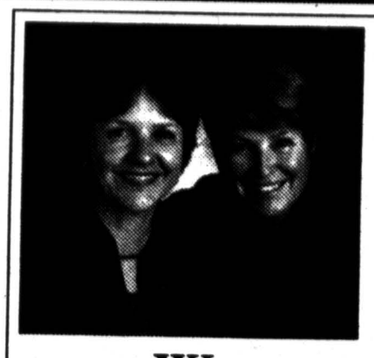
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Outside assistance rendered in recovering stolen property at Dolores and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Units responded to a verbal dispute at Junipero and Fourth. Contacted subjects who were having an argument over her daughter's level of responsibility regarding owning a car. No physical altercation occurred and both parties were counseled and left to continue their discussion.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded with CFD and CRFA units to a reported medical at Carpenter and Second due to a subject having difficulty breathing. She was subsequently transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported a small bag containing her prescription medication was lost sometime yesterday after 1600 hours.

Big Sur: Search for missing Orinda female whose vehicle was found on Highway 1 near Pacific Valley continued by Monterey County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue, search



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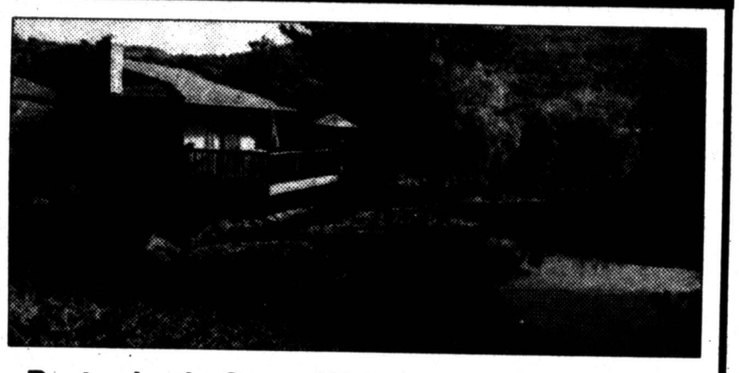
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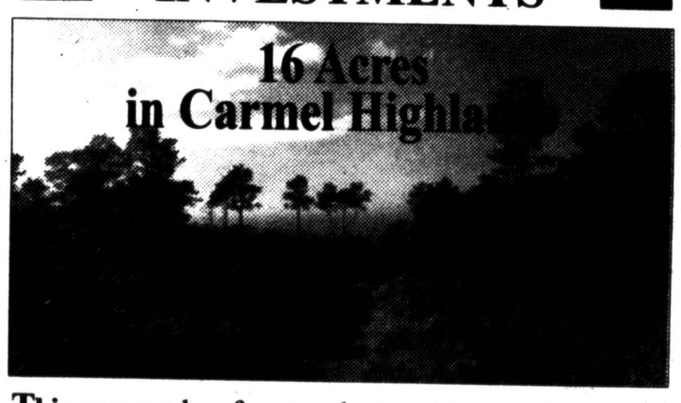
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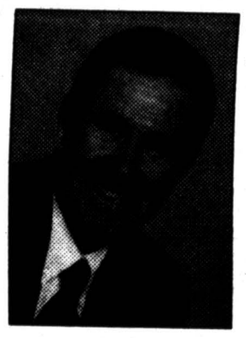
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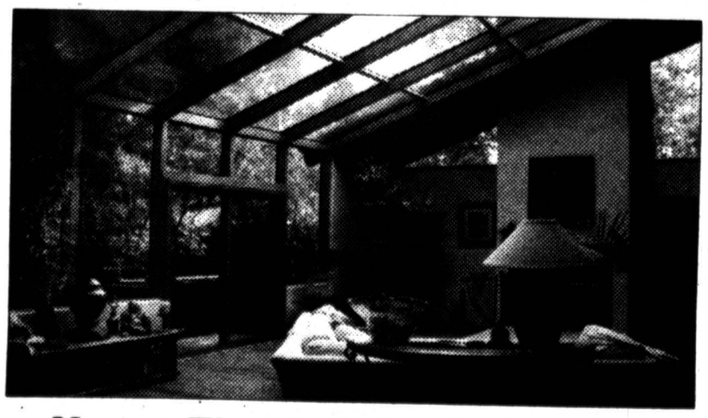
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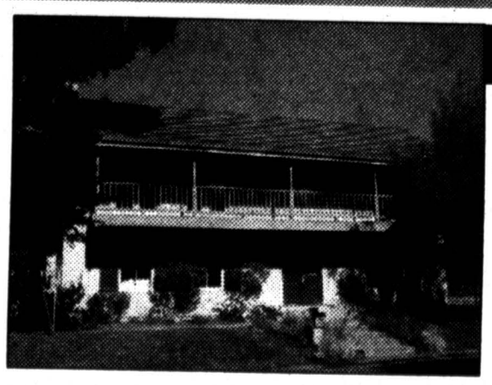
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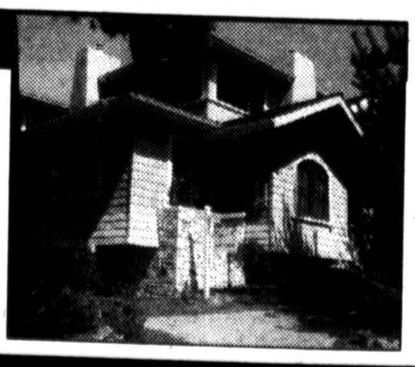
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POLICE LOG

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dogs and CHP helicopter. A search dog picked up a scent trail from the vehicle to the bluffs above the beach. It is believed the female may have committed suicide by jumping into the ocean from the bluffs. Search suspended.

Carmel area: Past-tense theft at Carmel Rancho Lane and Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

Carmel Valley: Civil problem at Camp Stefani.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense fraud at a Cypress Drive location.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense malicious mischief to a vehicle parked on Oliver Road.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

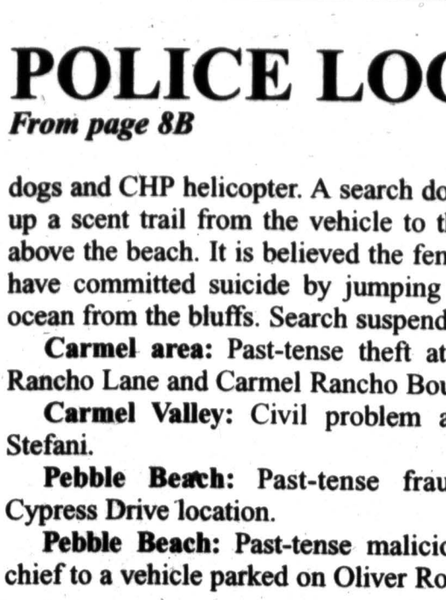
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported someone possibly took her wallet this morning while she was taking communion at Carmel Mission. She said she last noticed her wallet in her purse this morning as she was leaving to go to church. She remembered leaving it on the bench as she was taking communion and noticed the wallet was missing when she went to Longs after church. She did not notice any suspicious persons, just the regular group that attends. She said she had only one credit card and $60 in cash. She was advised to cancel the credit card.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers followed a coyote through downtown Carmel into Mission Trail Park. SPCA and department of fish and game notified.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject called the department to make a report of lost or stolen property belonging to a Carmel Inn for Seniors resident. She claims a friend brought a necklace to her about six months ago and it has since disappeared. Caregiver said no one was informed the friend brought the necklace and knew only that the resident claims it was in her top dresser drawer. The necklace was a chain with three clear stones, and the clasp was broken so she did not wear it. The staff searched for the necklace but did not find it. They found $300 in cash which the resident had hid away, and they placed that in the safe for her. She is currently in the hospital and is soon to return to the inn.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver stopped at Highway 1 and Ocean for weaving in the lane, driving in the center median dirt and going 30 mph in the number-one lane in a 65 mph zone.

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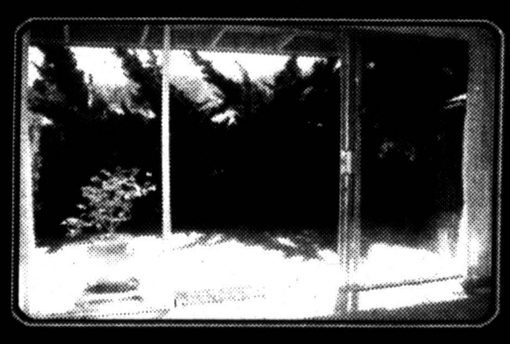
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Carmel-by-the-Sea
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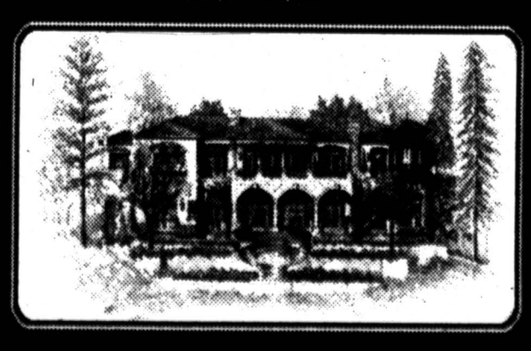
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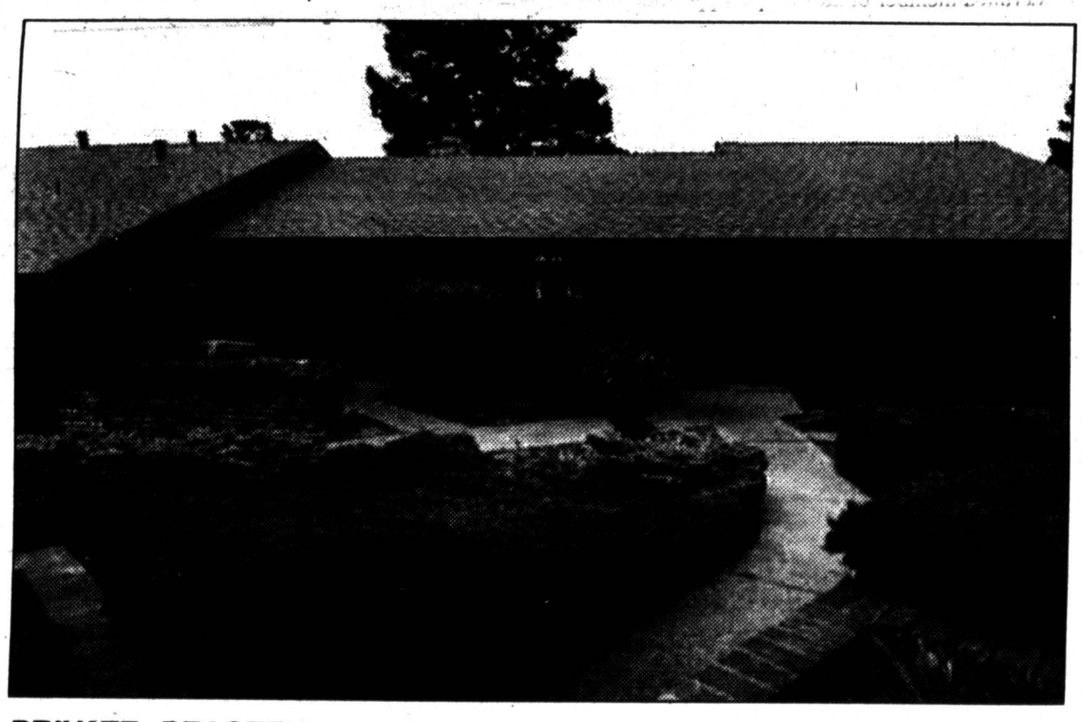


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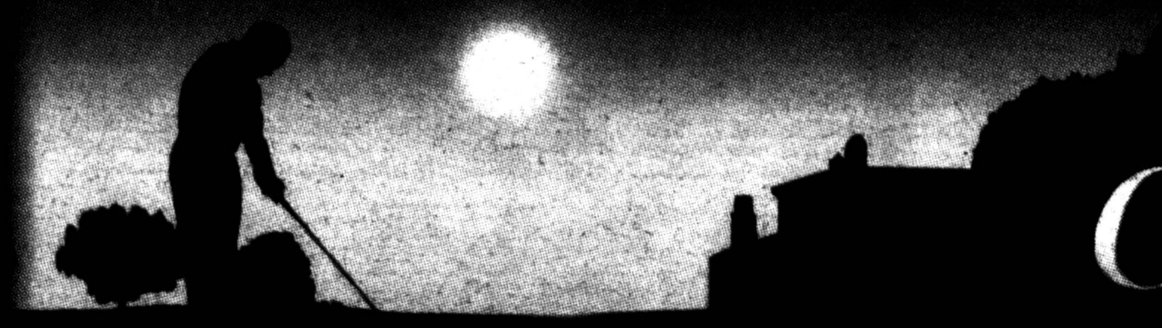
PEBBLE BEACH. Lovely 9/10 acre vacant lot with filtered ocean views & available water. Located in the estate area and just a short walk to The Lodge. **$1,600,000.**

MID-VALLEY HORSE PROPERTY. Wonderful, close-in location with beautifully remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 bath main house, plus cottage, plus 3-stall barn, plus outbuildings. Generous use of marble in kitchen & baths, marble & parquet floors, large deck & back patio. Surrounded by colorful, fragrant flowers with many fruit trees. Mountain views. So much for so little. **$975,000.**

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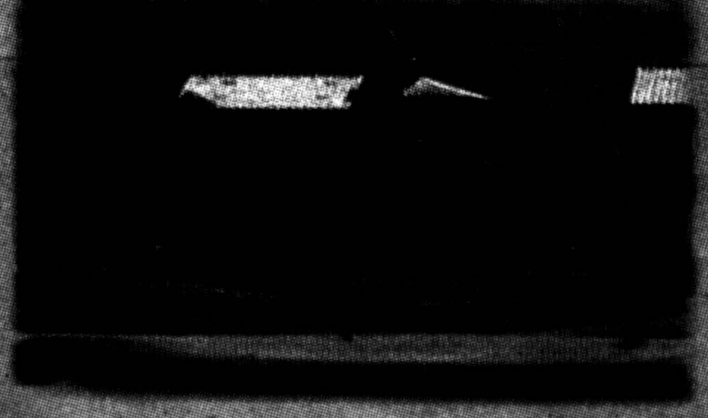
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She was observed driving southbound on Highway 1 from the Pebble Beach exit to south of Ocean. As she approached the stoplight at Carpenter, she braked very late, nearly hitting the car ahead of her. She repeated this at Ocean Avenue. She drove repeatedly over the lane division white line and crossed the double yellow several times. Upon contact she was wearing her glasses but had no excuse for her erratic driving. She was informed she would be referred to DMV for reexamination.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male reported while driving east on Seventh, two juveniles, later identified, threw what he believed were rocks at his vehicle. He then went into a restaurant and called police. While on the phone, he observed the juveniles run by the restaurant, but lost sight of them. Officer arrived and observed them walking along the south sidewalk of Ocean from Dolores. They started to walk across the street, but when they saw the officer, they started to run. They were ordered to stop and did. They first denied throwing anything at the vehicle but after further questioning admitted to throwing a pine cone. They felt it wouldn't do any damage. The victim positively identified the juveniles. Driver noted no visible damage and did not want to pursue the matter. The juveniles' parents were located at a nearby restaurant and were advised of the situation. They were not happy with their children. Parents stated their children would be punished for their actions over the holiday weekend.

Carmel area: Harassing phone calls received at a Rio Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Domestic dispute at a Carmel Valley Village residence.

Carmel area: Peace disturbance at a Walker Avenue residence.

THANKSGIVING

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male requested a welfare check on a Mission resident after he was unable to contact her by telephone for over an hour. Contact made with the resident at the listed location. Her phone was found to be temporarily out of order. Family members were notified and responded to the residence to assist her.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject at Junipero and Third called 911 to report having difficulty breathing. CPD, CFD and CRFA responded, and the subject was ultimately transported to CHOMP via CRFA for further medical treatment.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Outside assistance rendered in records check for a sex offender out-of-state travel permit.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Parked car at Ocean and Scenic rolled into another parked car.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver backed into a parked car at Dolores and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject contacted for assault with a deadly weapon and attempted kidnapping of a victim formerly involved in a dating relationship. Subject was intoxicated and inflicted injury/made threats. Incident occurred at Mission and Ocean at 2030 hours.

Carmel area: Assisted another agency at a High Meadows Lane residence.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense malicious mischief to a mailbox at a Bird Rock Road residence.

Carmel area: Information taken at the post office on Via Nona Marie.

Big Sur: Malicious mischief — windows broken — at a residence on Highway 1 13 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line.

Carmel Valley: Suspicious circumstances on Paso Hondo.

Carmel area: Public assistance rendered at a Del Mesa Carmel residence.

Carmel Valley: Assault/battery at a Marquard Road residence.

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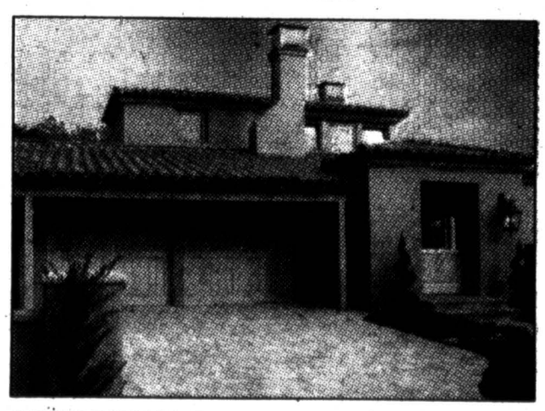
HEDGES! Hedges guarantee privacy on this larger property with a 3-bedroom, 2-bath house plus separate studio. The living room has a high knotty-pine ceiling and original hardwood floor. The studio has a separate entrance and a private yard. $775,000.

CUSTOM CONTEMPORARY! Thoughtfully designed and executed, this 2-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath remodel is sited on an oversized lot. *Offering a main living area with clearstory* windows & custom fireplace, master bedroom with den, and workshop/office with separate entrance. $1,949,000.

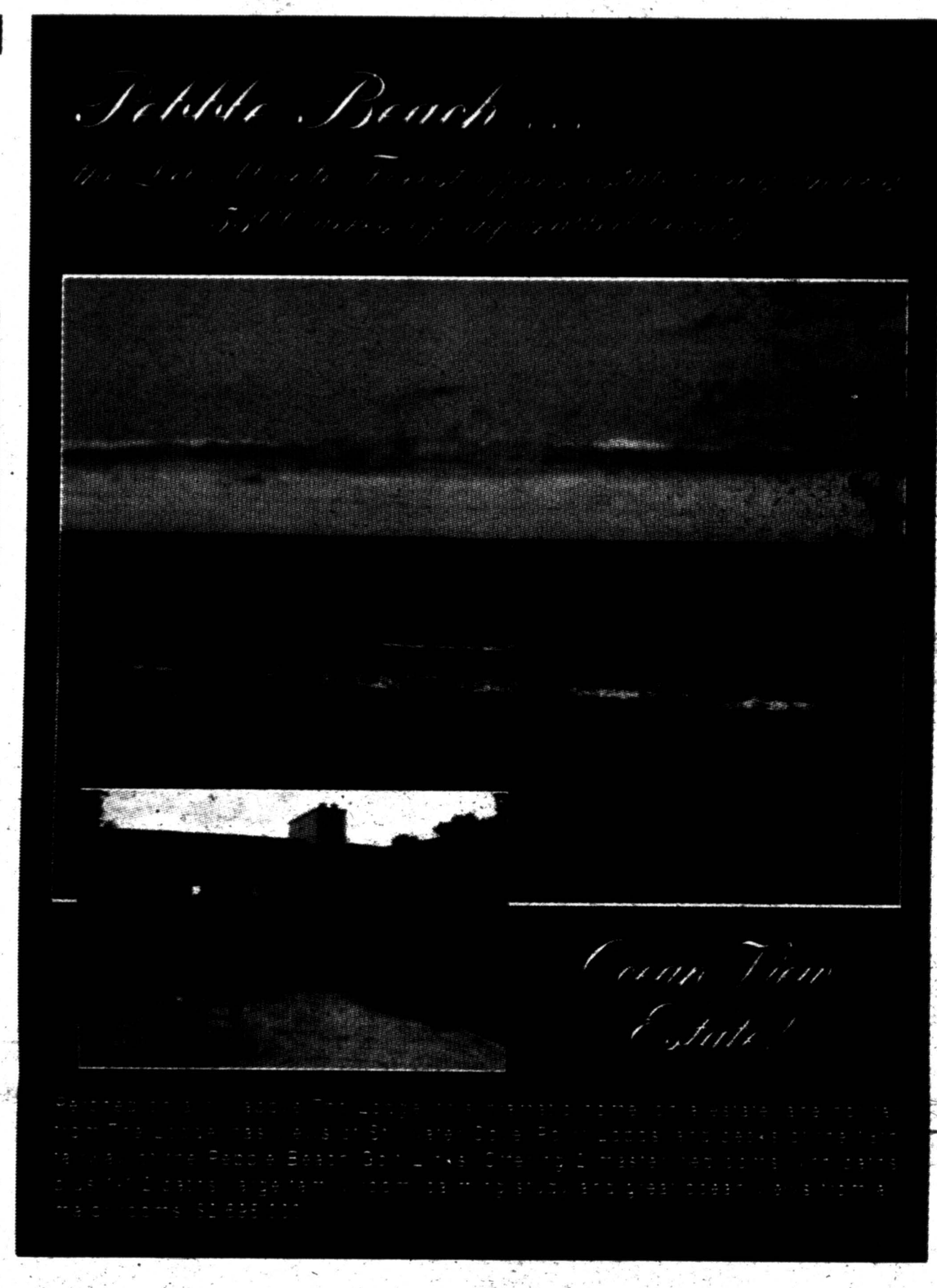


WALK IN THE PARK! A fabulous remodeled & restored 3-bedroom, 3-bath adobe home on two large park-like lots near Hatton Fields! Charm of authentic adobe-style home with comforts of a like-new house, this remodeled, single-level home has it all. $1,595,000.

"MAREBELLO!" A totally new house with excellent design, quality & sumptuous details. "Marbello" enjoys ocean views and a prestigious location. Vaulted-ceiling living room, entertainment room, wine cellar, 3 bedrooms, 2 full and 2 half baths. Stone deck & patio. $4,895,000.



MISSION HOUSE! This spacious 3-bedroom with guesthouse and 4-1/2baths is a fabulously crafted state-of-the-art Tescher & Levett Mediterranean villa. Located on a sunfilled lot, it enjoys views of Point Lobos, the Santa Lucia Mountains and the Carmel Mission. $3,750,000.



CARMEL VALLEY

HEAVEN ON A HILL! Watch the seasons change with fabulous views in this adorable 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath, two-story home on a private fully-fenced property, surrounded by lush gardens. hardwood floors, Carmel-stone fireplace, hot tub, and minutes from the Village. $799,000.



CAREFREE LIVING... in this C.V. Ranch residence of 2400 square feet. The treetop setting among mature oaks affords cherished privacy and lovely valley views. This end unit offers 3 bedroom suites, den, vaulted ceilings, excellent storage, and double car garage. $850,000.

SUMMIT AT C.V. RANCH! Located atop a scenic hill with gated access, this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath townhome is in a superior cul-de-sac location with additional parking. Spectacular mountain and valley views, custom office, and upgrades. $1,249,000.

SPECTACULAR VALLEY VIEWS! Above Miramonte is a magnificent home offering over 4400 sq. ft. of elegance and truly spectacular Valley views. Including spacious master suite plus 2 bedrooms, swimming pool/spa and a studio. On 3+ landscaped acres in a small gated community. $2,650,000.



COUNTRY ELEGANCE! Enjoy a serene three-acre setting in a prestigious gated community minutes from Carmel. The casually elegant country-style home includes a light interior, gourmet kitchen, den, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths and 3 fireplaces. $2,950,000.

DEL REY OAKS

SUNNY DEL REY OAKS! This country charmer sits on a large, level corner lot, with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and an office. The master bedroom has it's own private entrance. Good condition with many upgrades and attached two-car garage. Convenient to most of the Peninsula. $589,000.

MONTEREY

AQUAJITO OAKS HIDE-A-AWAY! On a quiet cul-de-sac is this immaculate 3-bedroom, 2-bath home. It features new carpet & shutters, spacious rooms, floor-to-ceiling fireplace in the living room, expansive kitchen/family room and greenbelt views. $925,000.

OFF THE BEACH



BREATHTAKING VIEWS! Sweeping ocean, city lights, and dramatic mountain views set the stage for the privacy and serenity in this custom built, ridge-top, 3-bedroom, 2-bath home on 2.5 acres. Features include rock fireplace, two-story windows, master suite, and sunroom. $985,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD! This impeccably maintained 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home is on an oak-studded lot well-located near MPCC. The large living room with cathedral ceilings and fireplace offers a relaxing gathering area. Property is fully fenced and level. $900,000.



SPANISH BAY & OCEAN VIEWS! This gorgeous Spanish Bay Residence features a connoisseur's kitchen & breakfast/family room area. The stunning dining room with wet bar has floor-to-ceiling windows. Three-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath sophisticated town home. $2,890,000.

LIVING AT THE LODGE! This privately located, single-level townhouse above The Lodge is a special offering. These homes are rarely on the market - much less in this condition. With 3 bedrooms, 4 baths, family room, solarium, and separate guest quarters. $2,675,000.

FRENCH COUNTRY! Capturing ocean views and located near the shore and MPCC fairways is this stunning 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home. Includes a gracious living room that opens to a garden solarium, and a beautiful new kitchen with a bay-window breakfast area. $2,950,000.



MPCC DUNES COURSE! A private courtyard entry leads to a frontline Spanish-style treasure with gorgeous fairway & oceanfront views. On the 16th tee of MPCC's Dunes Course, the character of the 2-bedroom plus den home has been expanded for optimum views. $3,750,000.

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